

HOUSE No. 1978

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kevin G. Honan

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to compensated absences in cities and towns.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Kevin G. Honan

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

17th Suffolk

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1949 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO COMPENSATED ABSENCES IN CITIES AND TOWNS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 40 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by
2 adding after section 13C the following section:—
3 Section 13D. Any city or town or district which accepts the provisions of this section by majority
4 vote of its city council or the voters present at a town meeting or district meeting, may establish,
5 and appropriate or transfer money to a reserve fund for the future payment of accrued liabilities
6 for compensated absences due any employee or full-time officer of said city or town upon the
7 termination of such employee's or full-time officer's employment. Said municipal or district
8 treasurer shall maintain the reserve fund in an interest bearing account and interest earnings shall
9 be added to the fund. Said city council, town meeting or district meeting may designate the
10 municipal official to authorize payments from this fund, and in the absence of such a
11 designation, it shall be the responsibility of the chief executive officer of said city, town or
12 district.