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# SENATE . . . . . No. 1385

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Thomas P. Kennedy***

*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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to credible service for school nurses.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| *Thomas P. Kennedy* | *Second Plymouth and Bristol* |

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By Mr. Kennedy, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1385) of Thomas P. Kennedy for legislation relative to credible service for school nurses. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. *1238* OF 2013-2014.]

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court**
**(2015-2016)**

An Act relative to credible service for school nurses.

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

SECTION 1. Subdivision (1) of section 4 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after paragraph (h ½) the following paragraph:– (h ¾) Any school nurse who is a member in service of the teacher's retirement system or a municipal or city of Boston orwho is employed in a school approved by the department of education may receive creditable service for any period or periods of work experience in the nursing field. No credit shall be allowed until such member has paid into the annuity savings fund of the system before any retirement allowance becomes effective for such member, in one sum, or in installments, upon such terms and conditions as the board may prescribe, makeup payments of an amount equal to 10 percent of the regular annual compensation of the member when said member entered the retirement system for each year of service so purchased, plus buy back interest. No credit shall be allowed and no payment shall be

12 accepted under this paragraph until the member shall have completed ten or more years of
13 membership service. The maximum creditable service allowable under this paragraph for any
14 member shall not exceed three years. Members in service of a retirement system eligible for said
15 creditable service under this act shall make application for said creditable service within ninety
16 days of being notified by the retirement board of their eligibility after becoming vested in the
17 retirement system or for currently eligible members, within ninety days of the effective date of
18 this act.