

**SENATE . . . . . No. 768**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Cynthia S. Creem*

*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 alimony payments.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Cynthia S. Creem*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*First Middlesex and Norfolk*

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By Ms. Creem, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 768) of Cynthia S. Creem for legislation relative to alimony payments. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 701 OF 2013-2014.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act relative to alimony payments.

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

1 SECTION 1. Clause (1) of sub-section (f) of section 49 of chapter 208 of the General  
2 Laws, as appearing in the 2012 official edition, is hereby amended by inserting, at the end  
3 thereof, the following sentence:-

4 "A finding by the court that (a) the length of the marriage was longer than 20 years and  
5 (b) the payor was within 10 years of full retirement age, or older, at the time of the divorce, may  
6 satisfy the requirement of good cause shown, and in such cases, the court may order that if the  
7 payor continues to work after attaining the full retirement age, alimony shall continue."