HOUSE No. 2288

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Viriato Manuel deMacedo

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 further regulating Group Insurance Commission benefits for state employees and retired state employees.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Viriato Manuel deMacedo	1st Plymouth	1/17/2013
Sheila C. Harrington	1st Middlesex	1/28/2013

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By Mr. deMacedo of Plymouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2288) of Viriato Manuel deMacedo and Sheila C. Harrington for legislation to further regulate Group Insurance Commission benefits for active and retired employees of the Commonwealth. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 680 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act further regulating Group Insurance Commission benefits for state employees and retired state employees.

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. Section 5 of said chapter 32A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out in lines 1,2,24, and 25, the word "five," and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the word:- ten.

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SECTION 2. Section 6 of said chapter 32A, as so appearing, is hereby amended, by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- The amount of group life insurance on each employee shall be ten thousand dollars, and the amount of group accidental death and dismemberment insurance on each employee shall be ten thousand dollars, except that those employees desiring to elect optional coverage in excess of ten thousand dollars group life insurance and ten thousand dollars group accidental death and dismemberment insurance may do so as provided in section ten A.

SECTION 3. The first paragraph of section 10 of said chapter 32A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- The commission shall require that, upon retirement of an employee, the policy or policies of insurance as set forth in section six, except the optional group life insurance referred to therein, shall provide that the ten thousand dollars of group life insurance, the ten thousand dollars of group accidental death and dismemberment insurance and the group general or blanket

- insurance providing hospital, surgical, medical, dental and other health insurance, as provided
- under sections five and ten C, as may be applicable, shall be continued, provided said retiree
- makes application to the commission on a form prescribed by the rules and regulations of the
- 20 commission.