

HOUSE No. 2369

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kay Khan

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 providing equal cost of living adjustments to all eligible pension benefit recipients.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Ruth B. Balseer</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/15/2013</i>
<i>Nunzio Piselli</i>		
<i>Marcos A. Devers</i>	<i>16th Essex</i>	<i>1/28/2013</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/28/2013</i>
<i>Benjamin Swan</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>	

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By Ms. Khan of Newton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2369) of Kay Khan and others for legislation to provide for equal cost-of-living adjustments to all eligible pension benefit recipients. Public Service.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen
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An Act providing equal cost of living adjustments to all eligible pension benefit recipients.

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 103 of chapter 32 is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following
2 new paragraph:-

3 (k) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, the board of any system
4 may, by accepting the provisions of this paragraph as hereinafter provided, elect annually to pay
5 the cost of living adjustment in an amount, determined by applying the percent of change set by
6 the board pursuant to said paragraph (c) to said maximum base amount of \$12,000 or such other
7 base amount as determined pursuant to paragraph (j) of this section, to every member of the
8 system or a spouse or other beneficiary of such member, who has received a retirement, pension
9 or annuity on June 30 of the prior fiscal year. The board shall conduct such election in a public
10 meeting, properly posted, and called specifically for such election. The board shall also notify
11 each legislative body at least 30 days before such election. Acceptance of this paragraph shall be
12 in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (i) of this section. A decision to accept the
13 provisions of this paragraph may not be revoked.