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To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives,

[Governors Message Body Text]

Respectfully submitted,

Deval L. Patrick,  
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Message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to providing retiree healthcare benefits reform. Public Service. February 12, 2013.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen  
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An Act providing retiree healthcare benefits reform.

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to lower forthwith the unfunded liability of state and municipal governments for retiree healthcare benefits, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

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

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