HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Marcos A. Devers

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 qualifications for creditable prior service in the Commonwealth.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Marcos A. Devers	16th Essex	9/8/2015

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By Mr. Devers of Lawrence, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marcos A. Devers relative to qualifications for creditable prior service . Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to qualifications for creditable prior service in the Commonwealth.

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

1	Subdivision (1) of section 4 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
2	Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out paragraph (b) and inserting in place thereof
3	the following paragraph:-

4 (b) Periods of service in any governmental unit prior to the date a system becomes 5 operative therein rendered by any employee who becomes a member when such system first 6 becomes operative in such governmental unit, or who becomes a member as otherwise provided 7 for in paragraph (f) of subdivision (6) of section 3, shall, subject to the provisions and limitations 8 of sections 1 to 28, inclusive, be counted as creditable prior service; provided, however, that after 9 becoming a member and before the date any retirement allowance becomes effective, the person 10 pays into the annuity savings fund of the system in 1 sum, or in installments, upon such terms 11 and conditions as the board may prescribe, payments of an amount equal to that which would 12 have been withheld as regular deductions from the person's regular compensation had the 13 person been eligible for membership and been a member of such system during such previous

- 14 period, together with buyback interest; provided further, that in no event shall any such person be
- 15 credited with more than 1 year of creditable service for all such prior service rendered during any
- 16 1 calendar year.