

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1320**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*James Arciero*

*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 regarding retirement of public authority employee groups.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/12/2017</i>

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By Mr. Arciero of Westford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1320) of James Arciero for legislation to authorize certain public authority governing boards to elect to improve the retirement classification for groups of employees by a majority vote. Public Service.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act regarding retirement of public authority employee groups.

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

1 Paragraph (g) of subdivision (2) of section 3 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, is hereby  
2 amended by inserting after line 326 the following new paragraph:-

3 Any public authority with employees who are members of a retirement system  
4 independent of the Massachusetts State Retirement System and the Massachusetts Teachers  
5 Retirement System may elect to improve the retirement group classification for any group of  
6 employees by a majority vote of the authority governing board. Nothing in this act shall be  
7 construed as authorization to diminish the retirement benefits of public employees by placing  
8 any group of employees in a lower group of classification.