

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1355**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Tackey Chan*

*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 ordinary disability retirements.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Tackey Chan</i>	<i>2nd Norfolk</i>	<i>1/18/2017</i>

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By Mr. Chan of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1355) of Tackey Chan relative to ordinary disability public employee retirement. Public Service.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2217 OF 2015-2016.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to ordinary disability retirements.

*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 1. Subdivision (2) of section 6 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as  
2 appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting the following new  
3 paragraph:-

4 (e) Upon acceptance of this paragraph by a retirement system, payments to a member  
5 retired under the provisions of this section shall be no less than the monthly payment to a  
6 disabled individual, with the same marital status and living situation, under the state  
7 supplemental security income program. Acceptance of this paragraph shall be by a majority vote  
8 of the board of each such system, subject to the approval of the legislative body. For the  
9 purposes herein, "legislative body" shall mean, in the case of a city, the city council in  
10 accordance with its charter, in the case of a town, the board of selectmen, in the case of a county,

11 the county retirement board advisory council, in the case of a region, the regional retirement  
12 board advisory council, in the case of a district, the district members, and, in the case of an  
13 authority, the governing body. Acceptance shall be deemed to have occurred upon the filing of a  
14 certification of such votes with the commission. For purposes herein, the state teachers' and  
15 state employees' retirement systems shall be deemed to have accepted this paragraph.