

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James J. O'Day

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 authorizing certain public employees' creditable retirement service.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
James J. O'Day	14th Worcester	1/20/2017
Marjorie C. Decker	25th Middlesex	2/3/2017
Daniel M. Donahue	16th Worcester	1/31/2017
John J. Mahoney	13th Worcester	2/2/2017
Sarah K. Peake	4th Barnstable	1/24/2017
Chris Walsh	6th Middlesex	2/2/2017

By Mr. O'Day of West Boylston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3298) of James J. O'Day and others for legislation to grant creditable service for retirement purposes to certain public employees. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 2384 OF 2015-2016.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court (2017-2018)

An Act authorizing certain public employees' creditable retirement service.

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 (1) of section 4 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws shall be
- 2 amended by inserting the following after subsection (r):

3 Notwithstanding the previsions of this chapter or any other general or special law, rule or 4 regulation to the contrary, a member in service of a retirement system as defined in section one 5 who served in the armed forces of the United States or who served in the Peace Corps, Vista and 6 who has completed ten or more years of membership service shall be entitled to credit for 7 service; provided, however, that service shall not be credited until such member has paid into the 8 annuity savings fund of such system, in one sum or in installments, upon such terms and 9 conditions as the board may prescribe, makeup payments, for each year of creditable service sought, of an amount equal to the ten percent of the regular annual compensation of the member 10

11 when said member entered the retirement system; and, provided further that such creditable 12 service shall not be construed to include service for more than four years provided further, that such creditable service shall not be allowed for any period of service for which said member has 13 14 received credit pursuant to paragraph (h) of subsection (1) of section 4 of chapter thirty-two of 15 the General Laws or for which said member receives a federal military pension. This act shall 16 apply to all Massachusetts National Guard and Active Reserve personnel, both former and 17 present. Creditable service time, both enlisted and commissioned may be applied toward 18 retirement on a ratio of five years guard service or five years reserve service substitutable for 19 each year of armed forces or, Peace Corps, or Vista.