

SENATE No. 1482

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James E. Timilty

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 the retirement benefits of state police dispatchers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>James E. Timilty</i>	<i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>	
<i>Jack Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/27/2017</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	<i>1/27/2017</i>
<i>Thomas M. McGee</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>	<i>1/30/2017</i>
<i>Daniel J. Ryan</i>	<i>2nd Suffolk</i>	<i>1/30/2017</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2017</i>
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	<i>1/31/2017</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>2/1/2017</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2017</i>
<i>Diana DiZoglio</i>	<i>14th Essex</i>	<i>2/1/2017</i>
<i>James R. Miceli</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2017</i>
<i>José F. Tosado</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Jennifer L. Flanagan</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>	<i>2/8/2017</i>

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By Mr. Timilty, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1482) of James E. Timilty, Jack Lewis, Timothy R. Whelan, Thomas M. McGee and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to the retirement benefits of state police dispatchers. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1442 OF 2015-2016.]

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

An Act relative to the retirement benefits of state police dispatchers.

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. Section 3 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the words "supervision of prisoners;" in
3 line 272, the following:- "employees of the State Police working as State Police Dispatchers in
4 groups SPD 1, 2, and 3 who have been employed in a such a capacity for 10 years or more;"

5 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary the State 911
6 department shall develop recommendations for a centralized statewide training and certification
7 program, consistent with the requirements in paragraph (g) of section 18B of chapter 6A, in
8 order to create a uniform classification of dispatch employees within the public safety answering
9 points of the Commonwealth. The classification and training should take into account the need
10 for consistent professional skills across departments, employment levels and incentives for

11 possible professional growth, a determination of group classification as described in Section 2 of
12 Chapter 32 for such certified employees, and shall use other state training certification programs
13 such as the Massachusetts Fire Service Certification System as a model.

14 The department shall report to the chairs of the joint committee on public safety and
15 homeland security and the joint committee on public service its recommendations with drafts of
16 legislation necessary to carry its recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the clerks
17 of the house of representatives and the senate on or before January 6, 2018.