

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2197**

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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>1/10/2019</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Michael J. Finn</i>	<i>6th Hampden</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Carlos González</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Stephan Hay</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Daniel R. Cullinane</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Paul F. Tucker</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Paul W. Mark</i>	<i>2nd Berkshire</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Brendan P. Crighton</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>

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By Mr. Chan of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2197) of Tackey Chan and others relative to ordinary disability public employee retirement. Public Service.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1355 OF 2017-2018.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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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 2016 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, under the state supplemental security income  
7 program. Acceptance of this paragraph shall be by a majority vote of the board of each such  
8 system, subject to the approval of the legislative body. For the purposes herein, “legislative  
9 body” shall mean, in the case of a city, the city council in accordance with its charter, in the case  
10 of a town, the town meeting, in the case of a county, the county retirement board advisory

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