

HOUSE No. 2197

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: |
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| <i>Tackey Chan</i> | <i>2nd Norfolk</i> | <i>1/7/2019</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.

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

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

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.