

HOUSE No. 2659

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas A. Golden, Jr.

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 certain option B and option C retirees.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Thomas A. Golden, Jr.</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/27/2021</i>
<i>Tackey Chan</i>	<i>2nd Norfolk</i>	<i>2/18/2021</i>
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Steven G. Xiarhos</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>	<i>12/9/2021</i>

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By Mr. Golden of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2659) of Thomas A. Golden, Jr., Tackey Chan and David Allen Robertson relative to retirement options for public employees. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2196 OF 2019-2020.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act relative to certain option B and option C retirees.

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. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the
2 contrary, a member, who retired before July 1, 2004 and is receiving a lesser retirement
3 allowance in accordance with the terms of Options (b) or (c) of subdivision (2) of section 12 of
4 chapter 32 of the General Laws, from a retirement system that accepts the provisions of this act,
5 shall have his retirement allowance, exclusive of any cost of living adjustments, increased by: 4
6 percent for Option (b) allowances and 12 percent for Option (c) allowances. Any retirement
7 system may accept the provisions of this act by a majority vote of the board of each such system,
8 subject to the approval of the legislative body. For the purposes of this act, “legislative body”
9 shall mean, in the case of a city, the city council in accordance with its charter, in the case of a
10 town, the town meeting, in the case of a county, the county retirement board advisory council, in

11 the case of a region, the regional retirement board advisory council, in the case of a district, the
12 district members, and, in the case of an authority, the governing body. For purposes of this act,
13 the state teachers' and state employees' retirement systems shall be deemed to have accepted the
14 provisions of this act.

15 SECTION 2. The provisions of this act shall be prospective from the effective date of
16 this act and shall not entitle any member or spouse of a deceased member to any retroactive
17 benefits.