

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 5051

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, July 28, 2022.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the Bill relative to veterans' buyback (House, No. 11), reports recommending that the same ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor the accompanying bill (House, No. 5051).

For the committee,

AARON MICHLEWITZ.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)  
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An Act relative to veterans' buyback.

*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 4 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020  
2   Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “be”, in line 148, the following  
3   words:- provided written notice by the retirement board upon entry into service that they are.

4           SECTION 2. Said section 4 of said chapter 32, as so appearing, is hereby further  
5   amended by inserting after the word “member”, in line 151, the following words:- , prior to or  
6   within 1 year of vesting pursuant to this chapter,.

7           SECTION 3. Section 3 of chapter 71 of the acts of 1996, as most recently amended by  
8   chapter 468 of the acts of 2002, is hereby amended by striking out the second paragraph.

9           SECTION 4. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any member of  
10   a retirement system who is a member in service and a veteran who failed to make the purchase  
11   authorized in paragraph (h) of subdivision (1) of section 4 of chapter 32 of the General Laws  
12   within the required 180 days pursuant to chapter 71 of the acts of 1996, as amended, shall be  
13   given a 1-time opportunity within 1 year from the effective date of this act to apply to the

14 retirement system to make said purchase. Each retirement system shall provide written notice to  
15 all members in service of their potential eligibility for this purchase within 90 days of the  
16 effective date of this act.