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SENATE . . . . . No. 1706

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Ryan C. Fattman

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 resolve:

Resolve providing for an investigation and study by a special commission relative to the effects of the Windfall Elimination Provision and Government Pension Offset in Massachusetts.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
Ryan C. Fattman	*Worcester and Norfolk*	
David F. DeCoste	*5th Plymouth*	*4/30/2021*

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By Mr. Fattman, a petition (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 1706) of Ryan C. Fattman for legislation to provide for an investigation and study by a special commission relative to the effects of the Windfall Elimination Provision and Government Pension Offset in Massachusetts. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. *1521* OF 2019-2020.]

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

Resolve providing for an investigation and study by a special commission relative to the effects of the Windfall Elimination Provision and Government Pension Offset in Massachusetts.

Resolved, That a special commission is hereby established for the purposes of making an investigation and study relative to the effects of the Windfall Elimination Provision and Government Pension Offset within the Congressional Social Security Act on employees who are members of a contributory retirement system in Massachusetts, the establishment of an education plan on social security offset programs and their effects on said employees, and the ability of said employees to recoup benefits lost due to the Windfall Elimination Provision and Government Pension Offset through the expansion of the Massachusetts Deferred Compensation Save Money and Retire Tomorrow Plan.

The commission shall consist of: 3 members of the senate, 1 of whom shall be the president of the senate or a designee who shall serve as co-chair, 1 of whom shall be the minority

leader of the senate or a designee, and 1 of whom shall be the chair of the joint committee on public service or a designee; 3 members of the house of representatives, 1 of whom shall be the speaker of the house or a designee who shall serve as co-chair, 1 of whom shall be the minority leader of the house or a designee, and 1 of whom shall be the chair of the joint committee on public service or a designee; and the treasurer and receiver-general or a designee.

All appointments shall be made not later than 30 days after the effective date of this resolve. The chairpersons shall meet with the commission not later than 60 days after the effective date of this resolve.

Members shall not receive compensation for their services but may receive reimbursement for the reasonable expenses incurred carrying out their responsibilities as members of the commission.

The commission shall report to the general court the result of its investigation and study and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such recommendations into effect by filing them with the clerk of the senate and clerk of the house of representatives on or before June 30, 2023. The commission may issue preliminary or interim reports to the general court before that date.