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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Alan Silvia

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 veterans' buyback.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Alan Silvia	*7th Bristol*	*1/20/2023*
Paul A. Schmid III	*8th Bristol*	*2/1/2023*
Michelle M. DuBois	*10th Plymouth*	*2/7/2023*
Steven George Xiarhos	*5th Barnstable*	*3/28/2023*
Patrick M. O'Connor	*First Plymouth and Norfolk*	*6/13/2023*
Marcus S. Vaughn	*9th Norfolk*	*1/18/2024*

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By Representative Silvia of Fall River, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2662) of Alan Silvia, Paul A. Schmid, III and Michelle M. DuBois relative to retirement buyback for veterans. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)

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:

SECTION 1. Section 4 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “be”, in line 148, the following words:- provided written notice by the retirement board upon entry into service that they are.

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

SECTION 3. Section 3 of chapter 71 of the acts of 1996, as amended by section 2 of chapter 468 of the acts of 2002, is hereby further amended by striking out the second paragraph.

SECTION 4. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any member of a retirement system who is a member in service and a veteran who failed to make the purchase authorized in paragraph (h) of subdivision (1) of section 4 of chapter 32 of the General Laws within the required 180 days pursuant to chapter 71 of the acts of 1996, as amended, shall be

given a 1-time opportunity to apply to the retirement system to make said purchase within 1 year from the effective date of this act. Each retirement system shall provide written notice to all members in service of their potential eligibility for this purchase within 90 days of the effective date of this act.