

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 5048

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, September 16, 2024.

The committee on Public Service, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2427) of James Arciero and others relative to cost of living adjustments for retired public employees of the Commonwealth; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2431) of Bruce J. Ayers and others relative to option (D) survivor allowance beneficiaries; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2461) of Tackey Chan relative to retirement for municipal building officials; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2476) of Tackey Chan and David Holway for legislation to designate constitutional officers as employers of the employees under their jurisdiction; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2486) of Mark J. Cusack and Carole A. Fiola relative to the cost of living adjustment for state and teacher retirees; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2487) of Mark J. Cusack relative to enhancing cost of living adjustment for certain long-term career public retirees; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2490) of Mark J. Cusack relative to creditable service for Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority police officers; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2505) of Daniel M. Donahue and others relative to public employee retiree benefits; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2506) of Daniel M. Donahue and Patricia A. Haddad that the Division of Personnel Administration conduct a civil service exam for certain benefits eligibility and referral social workers; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2516) of Dylan A. Fernandes and Angelo L. D'Emilia relative to disability pensions for violent crimes committed against certain public employees; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2527) of Judith A. Garcia, Daniel J. Ryan and others for legislation relative to retirement benefits for care givers at the Soldiers' Homes; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2558) of Russell E. Holmes for legislation to include certain employees of the Department of Youth Services in Group 4 of the contributory retirement system for public employees; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2567) of Patrick Joseph Kearney

relative to disability pensions for violent crimes committed against certain public employees; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2581) of David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf and Patricia A. Haddad relative to the retirement benefits of certain employees of the Department of Transitional Assistance and the Department of Housing and Community Development; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2583) of David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf, Deborah B. Goldberg (Treasurer and Receiver General) and Lindsay N. Sabadosa relative to further regulating the state employees retirement system; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2592) of Jay D. Livingstone for legislation to establish retirement parity for long term public defenders; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2605) of Joan Meschino, Samantha Montaño and Vanna Howard relative to expanding access to civil service examinations; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2610) of Rady Mom relative to the minority preference for police and fire department hirings in cities and towns; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2616) of Tram T. Nguyen and others that the Executive Office for Administration and Finance fund the civil service unit of the Human Resource Division; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2634) of Edward R. Philips relative to victim witness advocate retirement classification; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2643) of Orlando Ramos and others for legislation to include certain employees of the Department of Developmental Services and Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing in Group 2 of the contributory retirement system for public employees; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2661) of Alan Silvia relative to employee retirement contributions; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2671) of Steven Ultrino that assistant coordinators of the electric monitoring department of the Office of Probation shall be eligible for classification as members of Group 2 of the state contributory retirement board; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2672) of Steven Ultrino and James J. O'Day relative to placing installation security officers in Group 4 of the contributory retirement system for public employees; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3648) of Christopher Richard Flanagan relative to residency requirements for certain police officers, firefighters and fire alarm division personnel; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3837) of Sarah K. Peake relative to accidental disability retirement for William Little, a police officer of the town of Chatham, from the Barnstable County Retirement Association; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4014) of Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr., (by vote of the town) that the town of

North Brookfield be authorized to continue the employment of Chief Joseph Holway and Captain David Martin of the fire department of said town; the joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4177) of Mathew J. Muratore and Susan L. Moran (by vote of the town) relative to retirement benefits for certain employees of the harbormaster division of the police department of the town of Plymouth; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4662) of Kip A. Diggs relative to creditable service for Charles G. Lawrence, a member of the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System, reports recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 5048) ought to be adopted [Senator Fattman dissents.]

For the committee,

KENNETH I. GORDON.

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*House of Representatives,*

1           *Ordered,* That the committee on Public Service be authorized to sit during a recess of the  
2 General Court to make an investigation and study of House documents numbered 2427, 2431,  
3 2461, 2476, 2486, 2487, 2490, 2505, 2506, 2516, 2527, 2558, 2567, 2581, 2583, 2592, 2605,  
4 2610, 2616, 2634, 2643, 2661, 2671, 2672, 3648, 3837, 4014, 4177 and 4662, relative to cost of  
5 living, retirement benefits and other related matters.

6           Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of its investigation and study  
7 and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such  
8 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the House of Representatives  
9 on or before December 31, 2024.