

HOUSE No. 2887

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kathleen R. LaNatra

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 credible service for school nurses.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kathleen R. LaNatra</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/15/2025</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>2/27/2025</i>
<i>Tackey Chan</i>	<i>2nd Norfolk</i>	<i>10/29/2025</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>	<i>4/16/2025</i>
<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>	<i>6/10/2025</i>
<i>Vanna Howard</i>	<i>17th Middlesex</i>	<i>8/16/2025</i>
<i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/3/2025</i>
<i>Michael P. Kushmerek</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>	<i>10/7/2025</i>
<i>Steven Owens</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>	<i>10/29/2025</i>
<i>Adam J. Scanlon</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>10/29/2025</i>
<i>Margaret R. Scarsdale</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>	<i>9/29/2025</i>
<i>Richard G. Wells, Jr.</i>	<i>7th Norfolk</i>	<i>11/5/2025</i>
<i>Bud L. Williams</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>	<i>2/11/2025</i>
<i>Lisa Field</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>	<i>9/16/2025</i>

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By Representative LaNatra of Kingston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2887) of Kathleen R. LaNatra, Michael D. Brady and Bud L. Williams relative to credible service for school nurses. Public Service.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**

An Act relative to credible service for school nurses.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Subsection (1) of section 4 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after paragraph (h ¹/₂) the following paragraph :—

3 (h ³/₄) Any school nurse who is a member in service of the teacher’s retirement system or
4 a municipal or city of Boston or state retirement system who is employed in a school approved
5 by the department of education may receive creditable service for any period or periods of work
6 experience in the nursing field. No credit shall be allowed until such member has paid into the
7 annuity savings fund of the system before any retirement allowance becomes effective for such
8 member, in one sum, or in installments, upon such terms and conditions as the board may
9 prescribe, makeup payments of an amount equal to 10 percent of the regular annual
10 compensation of the member when said member entered the retirement system for each year of
11 service so purchased, plus buy back interest. No credit shall be allowed and no payment shall be
12 accepted under this paragraph until the member shall have completed ten or more years of

13 membership service. The maximum creditable service allowable under this paragraph for any
14 member shall not exceed three years. Members in service of a retirement system eligible for said
15 creditable service under this act shall make application for said creditable service within ninety
16 days of being notified by the retirement board of their eligibility after becoming vested in the
17 retirement system or for currently eligible members, within ninety days of the effective date of
18 this act.