

HOUSE No. 2953

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jeffrey N. Roy

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 the disability retirement of David Patterson, a police officer in the of Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Jeffrey N. Roy</i>	<i>10th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/14/2025</i>

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By Representative Roy of Franklin, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2953) of Jeffrey N. Roy for legislation to direct the State Retirement Board to retire David Patterson, a member of the Department of State Police, at the regular rate of compensation. Public Service.

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

An Act relative to the disability retirement of David Patterson, a police officer in the of Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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. (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary and in order
2 to promote the public good, the State Retirement Board shall enact the following. Sgt. David
3 Patterson, a Sgt in Massachusetts State Police Gang Unit, who was injured in the line of duty and
4 who as a result, is permanently incapacitated from performing the essential duties of a police
5 officer. (b) The annual amount of pension payable to David Patterson shall be equal to the
6 regular rate of compensation which would have been payable to him had he continued in service
7 as a police officer at the grade held by him at the time of his retirement. The benefits will
8 continue to be funded and administered by the Massachusetts State Board of Retirement as they
9 are now, consistent to Chapter 32, except that sections 8 and 91A of said Chapter 32 shall not
10 apply. All amounts paid under this act shall continue to be non-taxable to the extent allowable
11 under state law. (c) Upon attaining retirement age, David Patterson shall receive a pension
12 pursuant to section 7 of chapter 32, the yearly amount of which shall be equal to 75 per cent of

13 the average annual amount of pension paid to him in the previous 12 months. (d) David Patterson
14 lone dependent as already identified by the MSBR, then upon his death, said retirement board
15 shall pay his surviving dependent if then living, a pension payable in Monthly installments in the
16 amount of 75 percent of the annualized amount of the pension payable to David Patterson on the
17 date of his death. The pension shall be subject to section 103 of said chapter 32.

18 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.