

HOUSE No. 5289

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 30, 2026.

The committee on Public Service, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4475) of John H. Rogers (by vote of the town) that the town of Norwood be authorized to appoint retired police officers as special police officers in said town, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 5289) ought to pass [Local Approval Received].

For the committee,

DANIEL J. RYAN.

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

An Act authorizing the appointment of retired police officers as special police officers in the town of Norwood.

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. Section 1 of chapter 81 of the acts of 2010, as amended by section 1 of
2 chapter 397 of the acts of 2014, is here by further amended by striking out the first sentence and
3 inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- The general manager of the town of Norwood
4 may appoint, as they deem necessary, retired police officers for the purpose of performing police
5 details or any other police duties arising therefrom or during the course of police detail work,
6 whether or not related to the detail work; provided, however, that such retired police officers
7 shall have been regular police officers who retired in good standing from a Massachusetts
8 community based upon superannuation. Special police officers appointed pursuant to this act
9 shall comply with all requirements of chapter 6E of the General Laws, including: (i) maintaining
10 certification and good standing with the Massachusetts Peace Officer Standards and Training
11 Commission; and (ii) complying with all annual in-service and other training requirements
12 mandated by the municipal police training committee.