

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kathleen R. LaNatra and Kenneth P. Sweezey

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 certain retirement benefits for the surviving spouse of a state police officer injured in the line of duty.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kathleen R. LaNatra</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/15/2025</i>

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

An Act relative to certain retirement benefits for the surviving spouse of a state police officer injured in the line of duty.

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. Notwithstanding and general or special law to the contrary, Felicia
2 O'Connor, the surviving spouse of John Bernard O'Connor, a retired state police officer, who is
3 currently receiving a surviving spouse retirement allowance, shall be entitled to a recalculated
4 surviving spouse retirement allowance. The recalculated surviving spouse retirement allowance
5 shall be equal to that which she would have received had John Bernard O'Connor been allowed
6 to elect the Option C retirement allowance prior to his death.

7 SECTION 2. The amount of the recalculated surviving spouse retirement allowance in
8 section 1 shall apply retroactively to the date of death of John Bernard O'Connor.