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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James C. Arena-DeRosa

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 enhancing public service pension equity for veterans.

PETITION OF:

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

An Act relative to enhancing public service pension equity for veterans.

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

Subdivision (1) of section 4 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022

Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after paragraph (h1/2) the following paragraph:-

3 (h 3/4) Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter or any other general or special law,

rule, or regulation to the contrary, a member in service of a retirement system as defined in

5 section 1 or a retired member who is a veteran who was honorably discharged from the armed

forces of the United States shall have: (i) 1 additional calendar year added to the veteran's age for

the purposes of pension computation; and (ii) 2 additional calendar years added to the veteran's

age for the purposes of pension computation if they have a service connected disability rating of

9 10 per cent or more from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.