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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Paul McMurtry***

*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 employees of the Dedham Westwood Water District.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/17/2025</i>

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

An Act relative to employees of the Dedham Westwood Water District.

*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. Chapter 192 of the Acts of 2014 is hereby amended by striking sections 2 and  
2 3 and

3 inserting the following:

4 Section 2. Within 60 days after the effective date of the provisions of this act, the Norfolk  
5 county retirement system shall submit a request to the Public Employee Retirement  
6 Administration Commission seeking a legal determination from the Commission’s tax counsel  
7 on whether this act may be implemented without impairing the compliance of the Norfolk county  
8 retirement system or the public employee retirement administration commission with the Internal  
9 Revenue Code of 1986 as qualified pension systems. The Norfolk county retirement system shall  
10 submit all relevant and necessary documentation to the Commission to assist in responding to the  
11 request.

12 Section 3. (a) Section 1 shall not take effect unless the Public Employee Retirement  
13 Administration Commission receives a favorable letter of determination or a ruling from the

14 Commission's tax counsel, which states that the purchase of service time described in this  
15 section shall not result in noncompliance of the Norfolk county retirement system or the public  
16 employee retirement administration commission with the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. (b)  
17 Within 60 days after receiving a favorable letter of determination or ruling from the Public  
18 Employee Retirement Administration Commission, the Norfolk county retirement system shall  
19 notify the members of their eligibility for and the costs associated with this purchase of service.  
20 Within 120 days after receiving notification of eligibility, members shall purchase the service in  
21 1 lump sum or enter into an installment agreement to pay for the service.