

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Natalie M. Blais and Paul W. Mark

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 authorizing the town of Colrain to continue the employment of fire department deputy chief Kevin Worden Sr.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Natalie M. Blais</i>	<i>1st Franklin</i>	<i>12/11/2025</i>

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

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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 chapter 32 of the General Laws or any general or special
2 law to the contrary, Kevin Worden Sr., deputy chief of the Colrain fire department, may continue
3 to serve in such position until they reach the age of 70, the date of their retirement, whichever
4 occurs first; provided, however, that they remain physically and mentally capable of performing
5 the duties of the position; provided further, that Kevin Worden Sr. may require, at the expense of
6 the town of Colrain, be examined by an impartial physician designated by the town to determine
7 such capability. This act shall not entitle Kevin Worden Sr. to remain in service to the town of
8 Colrain if otherwise removed or suspended in accordance with applicable laws, rules, and
9 regulations.

10 SECTION 2. No deductions shall be made from the regular compensation of Kevin
11 Worden Sr. pursuant to chapter 32 of the General Laws for any service performed subsequent to
12 his reaching the age of 65. Upon his retirement they shall receive a superannuation retirement

13 allowance equal to that which they would have been entitled had they retired upon reaching the
14 age of 65, if any.

15 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.