

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1787**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Michael D. Brady***

*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 credible service for school nurses.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	
<i>John J. Cronin</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>	<i>4/1/2025</i>
<i>Adam J. Scanlon</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>10/29/2025</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>	<i>11/2/2025</i>

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By Mr. Brady, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1787) of Michael D. Brady for legislation relative to credible service for school nurses. Public Service.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

An Act relative to credible service for school nurses.

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

1            Subsection (1) of section 4 of chapter 32 of the general laws, as appearing in the 2020  
2            Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after paragraph (h ½) the following paragraph :—

3            (h ¾) Any school nurse who is a member in service of the teacher’s retirement system or  
4            a municipal or city of Boston or state retirement system who is employed in a school approved  
5            by the department of education may receive creditable service for any period or periods of work  
6            experience in the nursing field. No credit shall be allowed until such member has paid into the  
7            annuity savings fund of the system before any retirement allowance becomes effective for such  
8            member, in one sum, or in installments, upon such terms and conditions as the board may  
9            prescribe, makeup payments of an amount equal to 10 percent of the regular annual  
10           compensation of the member when said member entered the retirement system for each year of  
11           service so purchased, plus buy back interest. No credit shall be allowed and no payment shall be  
12           accepted under this paragraph until the member has completed ten or more years of membership  
13           service. The maximum creditable service allowable under this paragraph for any member shall

14 not exceed three years. Members in service of a retirement system eligible for said creditable  
15 service under this act shall make application for said creditable service within ninety days of  
16 being notified by the retirement board of their eligibility after becoming vested in the retirement  
17 system or for currently eligible members, within ninety days of the effective date of this act.