

SENATE No. 1810

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Brendan P. Crighton

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 ordinary disability retirements.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Brendan P. Crighton</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>	
<i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>	<i>3/21/2025</i>

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By Mr. Crighton, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1810) of Brendan P. Crighton for legislation relative to ordinary disability retirements. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1630 OF 2023-2024.]

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

An Act relative to ordinary disability retirements.

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

1 Subdivision (2) of section 6 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting the following new paragraph: -

3 (e) Upon acceptance of this paragraph by a retirement system, payments to a member
4 retired under the provisions of this section shall be no less than the monthly payment to a
5 disabled individual, with the same marital status, under the state supplemental security income
6 program. Acceptance of this paragraph shall be by a majority vote of the board of each such
7 system, subject to the approval of the legislative body. For the purposes herein, “legislative
8 body” shall mean, in the case of a city, the city council in accordance with its charter, in the case
9 of a town, the town meeting, in the case of a county, the county retirement board advisory
10 council, in the case of a region, the regional retirement board advisory council, in the case of a

11 district, the district members, and, in the case of an authority, the governing body. Acceptance
12 shall be deemed to have occurred upon the filing of a certification of such votes with the
13 commission. For purposes herein, the state teachers' and state employees' retirement systems
14 shall be deemed to have accepted this paragraph.