

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1832**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Peter J. Durant***

*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 allowing Wayne Estes, a retired member of the Massachusetts DDS, an accidental disability retirement option.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Peter J. Durant*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Worcester and Hampshire*

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By Mr. Durant, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1832) of Peter J. Durant for legislation to allow Wayne Estes, a retired member of the Massachusetts DDS, an accidental disability retirement option. Public Service.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1685 OF 2023-2024.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act allowing Wayne Estes, a retired member of the Massachusetts DDS, an accidental disability retirement option.

*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 other general or  
2 special law to the contrary affecting the noncontributory or contributory retirement system in the  
3 commonwealth, the Massachusetts Retirement System shall allow Wayne Estes, a retired  
4 member, the option to receive accidental disability retirement from any condition of impairment  
5 of health caused by severe physical and psychological harm accompanied by post-traumatic  
6 stress disorder resulting in total or partial disability and that such disability be presumed to have  
7 been suffered in the course of his employment. The retirement board shall pay Wayne Estes  
8 accidental disability retirement benefits as of the effective date of this act for the remainder of his  
9 retirement. Wayne Estes shall notify the board of his decision on the option granted by this act  
10 within 90 days of the effective date of this act.

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SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.