

SENATE No. 3269

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

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 Charlemont to continue the employment of fire department members Douglas Annear and Barry Purinton.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Paul W. Mark

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Berkshire, Hampden, Franklin and
Hampshire*

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By Mr. Mark, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 3269) of Paul W. Mark (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Charlemont to continue the employment of fire department members Douglas Annear and Barry Purinton. Public Service. [Local Approval Received.]

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

An Act authorizing the town of Charlemont to continue the employment of fire department members Douglas Annear and Barry Purinton.

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 any general or special law to the contrary, Douglas Annear
2 and Barry Purinton members of the Charlemont Fire Department, may continue to serve in their
3 position until they reach 68 years of age, the date of their retirement or the date they are removed
4 or suspended from office in accordance with applicable laws, rules or regulations, whichever
5 occurs first; provided, however, that they remain physically and mentally capable of performing
6 the duties of the position. If requested, Douglas Annear and Barry Purinton shall, at the expense
7 of the Town of Charlemont, be examined by an impartial physician designated by the Town of
8 Charlemont to determine such capability. No deductions shall be made from the regular
9 compensation of Douglas Annear and Barry Purinton pursuant to chapter 32 of the General Laws
10 for any service subsequent to enactment.

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