

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Joanne M. Comerford*

*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 South Deerfield Fire District to continue the employment of fire department member Steven Kolakoski.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Joanne M. Comerford*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester*

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By Ms. Comerford, a petition (accompanied by bill) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Joanne M. Comerford for legislation to authorize the South Deerfield Fire District to continue the employment of fire department member Steven Kolakoski. Public Service.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act authorizing the South Deerfield Fire District to continue the employment of fire department member Steven Kolakoski.

*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, Steven  
2 Kolakoski, a member of the South Deerfield Fire District fire department, may continue to serve  
3 in such position until reaching age 70, or until the date of his retirement or non-reappointment,  
4 whichever occurs first; provided, however, that he is mentally and physically capable of  
5 performing the duties of his office.

6           SECTION 2. The Prudential Committee may, at the expense of the District, require that  
7 Steven Kolakoski be examined by an impartial physician designated by said Prudential  
8 Committee to determine such capability.

9           SECTION 3. No further deductions shall be made from the regular compensation of  
10 Steven Kolakoski under chapter 32 of the General Laws for any service performed subsequent to  
11 reaching the age of 65, and upon retirement, he shall receive a superannuation retirement

12 allowance equal to that which he would have been entitled had he retired upon reaching the age  
13 of 65.

14 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon passage.