

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael F. Rush

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 veterans creditable service.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Michael F. Rush

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Norfolk and Suffolk

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1725 OF 2023-2024.]

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

An Act relative to veterans creditable service.

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)(h) of section 4 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the
2 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following:-

3 Notwithstanding the provisions of this chapter or any other general or special law, rule or
4 regulation to the contrary, a member in service of a retirement system as defined in section one
5 who is a veteran shall be credited with all periods of service for which the veteran was
6 previously employed in any governmental unit. Such service shall be creditable service for any
7 period or periods of prior work in a governmental unit and shall be given full credit for
8 retirement purposes. Such creditable service shall not be limited if the retirement system in
9 which the veteran is currently a member in service differs from the governmental unit in which
10 he or she previously became a member. Such creditable service shall not be limited by years of
11 membership service.