

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2179**

**[LOCAL APPROVAL RECEIVED.]**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**James E. Tilty**

*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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act increasing the pension benefits payable to Aquinnah Sarah Burgess by the Attleboro retirement system.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
James E. Tilty	Bristol and Norfolk
Scott P. Brown	Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex
Bill Bowles	2nd Bristol
Elizabeth Poirier	14th Bristol

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

An Act increasing the pension benefits payable to Aquinnah Sarah Burgess by the Attleboro retirement system.

*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 the provisions of any special law or general law to the contrary and  
2 in order to promote the public good, the Attleboro Retirement Board is hereby authorized and directed to  
3 pay to Aquinnah Sarah Burgess the daughter of Jeffrey Burgess who died on August thirty-first, two  
4 thousand and nine as a result of massive trauma and internal injuries sustained on August thirty-first, two  
5 thousand and nine as a result of being struck by an automobile in front of three hundred and eighty-five  
6 South Main Street, Attleboro, Massachusetts in the performance of his duties as an employee of the Water  
7 Department, City of Attleboro, a survivor's accidental death benefit from the date of his death under the  
8 provisions of section nine of chapter thirty-two of the General Laws which shall consist of a yearly  
9 allowance equal to the annual rate of regular compensation which would have been payable to said  
10 Jeffrey Burgess had he continued in the service of the City of Attleboro at a grade held by him at the time  
11 of his death. Such accidental death benefit allowance shall terminate at of earlier of the date that said  
12 Aquinnah Sarah Burgess reaches the age of twenty-three or the date of her death. Said accidental death  
13 benefit shall be processed and paid through the Attleboro Contributory Retirement system in the ordinary  
14 course. The payment of such benefit shall be diminished by the amounts payable to the dependents of said

15 Jeffrey Burgess under the provisions of section thirty-one of chapter one hundred fifty-two of the General  
16 Laws.

17 SECTION 2: Aquinnah Sarah Burgess shall be eligible for individual health and dental insurance  
18 available to employees of the City of Attleboro under chapter thirty-two B of the General Laws provided  
19 she or someone on her behalf pays one-half the amount of the premium for such insurance. Such  
20 eligibility for health and dental insurance shall terminate at the earlier of the date that said Aquinnah Sarah  
21 Burgess reaches the age of twenty-three or the date of her death.