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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kevin J. Murphy

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 retirement systems and pensions..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Kevin J. Murphy	*18th Middlesex*
Thomas A. Golden, Jr.	*16th Middlesex*

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By Mr. Murphy of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1626) of Kevin J. Murphy and Thomas A. Golden, Jr. for legislation to permit certain retired and divorced public employees to change beneficiaries. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. *2528* OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to retirement systems and pensions..

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 12 of chapter 32 is hereby amended by inserting the following new paragraph after line 142:—

In the event of a divorce between member and their spouse/beneficiary occurring after the member's date of retirement said member is permitted to change their designated policy beneficiary under existing provisions of this option provided that the policy is not subject to any settlement agreements pertaining to said divorce; and further provided, that the allowance shall be adjusted to reflect any changes to the policy in consideration of said new beneficiary.