

**JOINT COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICE**  
**2025-2026 (194<sup>th</sup>) BILL SUMMARY**

**Bill Number:** H.4147  
**Title:** *An Act relative to retirement benefits for Joseph Suppa*  
**Sponsor(s):** Rep. Kathleen R. LaNatra (*Kingston*)  
**Hearing Date:** June 2, 2025  
**Reporting Deadline:** August 1, 2025

**Prior History:**

2023-24 (S.2808): Reported favorably; Referred to SWM  
2019-20 (S.1501): Ordered to a Senate Study

**SUMMARY:**

This bill directs the Massachusetts state board of retirement to credit Joseph Suppa, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, with creditable service for the periods of March 1, 2004 to January 29, 2007 and January 29, 2011 to July 15, 2011 for employment with the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority for the purpose of calculating his superannuation retirement. Before any retirement allowance becomes effective, he must pay into the annuity savings fund of the Massachusetts state retirement system the amount equal to what would have been withheld from his regular compensation for the previous service plus buyback interest. He will have five years from the passage of this act to exercise this buyback option.