

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2312**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***John J. Lawn, Jr.***

*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 further regulating group insurance benefits for state employees and retired state employees.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>John J. Lawn, Jr.</i>	<i>10th Middlesex</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Stephan Hay</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>Paul R. Feeney</i>	<i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>Frank A. Moran</i>	<i>17th Essex</i>
<i>Harold P. Naughton, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>
<i>James M. Murphy</i>	<i>4th Norfolk</i>
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>
<i>Carlos Gonzalez</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Tackey Chan</i>	<i>2nd Norfolk</i>
<i>Daniel Cahill</i>	<i>10th Essex</i>
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>

<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel R. Cullinane</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Angelo M. Scaccia</i>	<i>14th Suffolk</i>
<i>Bud L. Williams</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul F. Tucker</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael J. Soter</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>
<i>Brendan P. Crighton</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>
<i>Paul W. Mark</i>	<i>2nd Berkshire</i>
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>
<i>Brian W. Murray</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Lawn of Watertown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2312) of John J. Lawn, Jr. and others relative to insurance benefits for current and retired state employees. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2564 OF 2017-2018.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)  
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An Act further regulating group insurance benefits for state employees and retired state employees.

*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 5 of chapter 32A of the General Laws, as appearing in  
2 the 2012 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out in lines 1, 2, 24 and 25 the  
3 word “five”, and inserting in place thereof, in each instance, the  
4 word:- ten.

5 SECTION 2. Section 6 of said chapter 32A, as so appearing, is hereby amend by  
6 striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- The amount  
7 of group life insurance on each employee shall be ten thousand dollars, and the amount of group  
8 accidental death and dismemberment insurance on each employee shall be ten thousand dollars,

9 except that those employees desiring to elect optional coverage in excess of ten thousand dollars  
10 group life insurance and ten thousand dollars group accidental death and dismemberment  
11 insurance may do so as provided in section ten A.

12 SECTION 3. The first paragraph of section 10 of said chapter 32A, as so appearing, is  
13 hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting

14 in place thereof the following sentence:- The commission shall require that, upon  
15 retirement of an employee, the policy or policies of insurance as set forth in section six, except  
16 the optional group life insurance referred to therein, shall provide that the ten thousand dollars of  
17 group life insurance, the ten thousand dollars of group accidental death and dismemberment  
18 insurance and the group general or blanket insurance providing hospital, surgical, medical, dental  
19 and other health insurance, as provided under sections five and ten C, as may be applicable, shall  
20 be continued, provided said retiree makes application to the commission on a form prescribed by  
21 the rules and regulations of the commission.