

HOUSE No. 5316

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Frank A. Moran

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 for relief for police officer Carl Farrington.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Frank A. Moran</i>	<i>17th Essex</i>	<i>9/16/2022</i>

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By Mr. Moran of Lawrence, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5316) of Frank A. Moran (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the Lawrence Retirement Board be authorized to retire Carl Farrington, a police officer of the city of Lawrence. Public Service. [Local Approval Received.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)

An Act for relief for police officer Carl Farrington.

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

1 Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Lawrence that a petition be filed with
2 the General Court to the end that legislation be adopted precisely as follows. The General Court
3 may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the mayor approves
4 amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court. The mayor is hereby authorized
5 to approve amendments which shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of this
6 petition.

7 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the
8 contrary, the Lawrence Retirement Board is hereby authorized and directed to retire Carl
9 Farrington, a police officer of the City of Lawrence, who as a result of injuries sustained while in
10 the performance of his duties on August 3, 2020, is totally and permanently incapacitated from
11 performing the essential duties of a police officer.

12 The annual amount of pension payable to Carl Farrington shall be fixed in an amount
13 equal to the regular rate of compensation by which would have been paid had he continued in
14 service as a police officer of the City of Lawrence at the grade held by him at the time of his
15 retirement up until his death or reaching mandatory retirement age whichever comes first. The
16 additional benefits granted herein shall be funded and administered by the Lawrence Retirement
17 Board, consistent with and subject to Chapter 32 of the General Laws, except that Sections 8 and
18 91A of Chapter 32 of the General Laws shall not apply however all amounts paid hereunder shall
19 be non-taxable.

20 Upon attaining the mandatory retirement age for a Lawrence police officer, Carl
21 Farrington shall receive a pension pursuant to Section 7 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, a
22 yearly amount of pension equal to eighty percent of the annual rate of the compensation he was
23 receiving on the day before he reaches the mandatory retirement age for a Lawrence patrol
24 officer.

25 SECTION 2. Carl Farrington shall be entitled to receive indemnification for all hospital,
26 medical, and related expenses that have been or may be, incurred after the date of his retirement
27 as a result of the injuries sustained by him while in the performance of his duties on August 3,
28 2020, according to the provisions of Section 100 and Section 100B of Chapter 41 of the General
29 Laws.

30 SECTION 3. In addition to the benefits granted herein and upon retirement, Carl
31 Farrington shall receive a lump sum from the Lawrence Retirement Board equal to his total
32 accumulated retirement deductions.

33 SECTION 4. If Carl Farrington is married at the time of retirement, then upon his death,
34 should his wife Kellie Anne survive him, the Lawrence Retirement Board shall pay to her an
35 annuity in the amount of three-fourths of the amount of the pension which would have been
36 otherwise payable to him until her death. The pension shall be subject to Section 103 of Chapter
37 32 of the General Laws.

38 SECTION 5. In the event that both Carl Farrington and his wife, Kellie Anne, die before
39 their children reach the age of eighteen or twenty-two, as provided herein, the payments that
40 would otherwise be made to Kellie Anne shall be payable, in equal shares, to each child under
41 the age of eighteen; provided however that payments shall continue to the age of twenty-two for
42 any child who is enrolled as a full-time student.

43 SECTION 6. This act shall be effective upon passage.