

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 00734**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

*Ellen Story*

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*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 directing the state retirement board to retire Robert Emmet Fitzgerald.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Ellen Story</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>Michael R. Knapik</i>	<i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i>

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By Ms. Ellen Story of Amherst, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 00734) of Angelo J. Puppolo and others providing for a certain pension to Robert Emmet Fitzgerald, a former State Police Officer, injured while in the performance of his duties as an undercover State Police narcotics officer. Joint Committee on Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE  
□ HOUSE  
□ , NO. 2613 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act directing the state retirement board to retire Robert Emmet Fitzgerald.

*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 general or special law to the contrary, and  
2 in order to promote the public good, the State Retirement Board is hereby authorized and  
3 directed to retire Robert Emmet Fitzgerald, a former State Police Officer, who as a result of  
4 injuries sustained while in the performance of his duties as an undercover State Police narcotics  
5 officer, is incapacitated from further service as a State Trooper.

6 Robert Emmet Fitzgerald was seriously injured (PTSD) due to his isolation in “B” Troop for two  
7 years posing as a heroin addict. Little administrative and professional back up support was  
8 available at this time.

9 The annual amount of pension payable to Robert Emmet Fitzgerald shall be fixed in an amount  
10 equal to the regular rate of compensation which would have been paid had he continued in  
11 service as a State Trooper up to the March 13, 1991 formal notification of then Secretary of  
12 Public Safety James B. Roche. It will also be retroactive to that date and include health benefits.

13 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.