

SENATE No. 1399

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas M. McGee

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 authorizing a local option for group retirement classification.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Thomas M. McGee

John W. Scibak

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Third Essex

2nd Hampshire

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By Mr. McGee, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1399) of Thomas M. McGee and John W. Scibak for legislation to authorize a local option for group retirement classification. Public Service.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act relative to authorizing a local option for group retirement classification.

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

1 Paragraph (g) of subdivision (2) of section 3 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, is hereby
2 amended by inserting after line 326 the following new paragraph:-

3 Any municipality or public authority may elect to improve the retirement group
4 classification for any group of employees of the municipality or the public authority upon its
5 acceptance in the following manner: in a city having a Plan D or a Plan E charter by majority
6 vote of its city council and approved by the manager; in any other city by majority vote of the
7 city council and approved by the mayor; in a town by vote of the board of selectmen; in a public
8 authority by majority vote of the authority governing board. Nothing in this act shall be
9 construed as authorization to diminish the retirement benefits of public employees by placing
10 any group of employees in a lower group of classification.