

SENATE No. 2577

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael F. Rush

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 superannuation benefits for Ann Marie OKeeffe.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Michael F. Rush

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Norfolk and Suffolk

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By Mr. Rush, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2577) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael F. Rush for legislation relative to superannuation benefits for Ann Marie O'Keeffe. Public Service.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to superannuation benefits for Ann Marie O'Keeffe.

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 any general or special law or rule or regulation or orders to
2 the contrary, the Massachusetts Teachers Retirement System shall credit Ann Marie O'Keeffe
3 with 33 years of credible service as a professional status teacher and confirm her eligibility for
4 the superannuation of her pension under the program established in Section 5 of Chapter 32 of
5 the Massachusetts General Laws as appearing in the 2022 edition. Before the date that any
6 Teachers Alternate Retirement Program or superannuation allowance affects her pension benefit,
7 she shall make contributions to the Massachusetts Teachers Retirement System, in lump sum or
8 installments, in accordance with the terms and conditions established under Chapter 32 of the
9 Massachusetts General Laws as appearing in the 2022 edition to fully qualify for the same
10 RetirementPlus benefits as outlined by said chapter.

11 Neither any order of the courts of the Commonwealth, nor any administrative hearing
12 shall delay this retirement process with RetirementPlus to become effective on April 1st of 2024;

13 nor prevent Ann Marie O'Keeffe alone from qualifying for the superannuation / TARP of her
14 pension benefit. This MTRS pension benefit shall be calculated dynamically and paid to her
15 monthly with an initial payment date of June 1 of 2023.

16 Section 2 This act shall take effect upon its passage