

SENATE No. 3000

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**
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SENATE, July 14, 2022.

The committee on Public Service, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2925) of Ryan C. Fattman, Peter J. Durant and Paul K. Frost for legislation to authorize raising the maximum retirement age of special police officers in the town of Charlton to 70 years old, reports the accompanying bill (Senate, No. 3000).

For the committee,
Michael D. Brady

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An Act authorizing raising the maximum retirement age of special police officers in the town of Charlton to 70 years old.

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. The chief of police of the town of Charlton may, if the chief deems
2 necessary, appoint individuals with a law enforcement background as special police officers for
3 the purpose of performing police details or any other police duties arising therefrom or during
4 the course of police detail work, whether or not related to the detail work. Prior to appointment
5 under this act, a special police officer shall pass a medical examination conducted by a physician
6 or other certified professional chosen by the town to determine whether the special police officer
7 is capable of performing the essential duties of a special police officer and the cost thereof shall
8 be borne by the special police officer.

9 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding section 1 of chapter 32 of the General Laws or any other
10 general or special law to the contrary, a special police officer shall not be subject to maximum
11 age restrictions applied to regular officers under chapter 32 of the General Laws, but shall not be
12 eligible to serve as a special police officer upon reaching the age of 70.

13 SECTION 3. Special police officers appointed under this act shall be subject to the
14 limitation on hours worked and other restrictions on earnings as provided in paragraph (b) of
15 section 91 of chapter 32 of the General Laws.

16 SECTION 4. Special police officers shall be subject to the rules and regulations, policies
17 and procedures and requirements of the chief of police of the town of Charlton including, but not
18 limited to, restrictions on the type of detail assignments, requirements regarding medical
19 examinations to determine continuing capability to perform the duties of a special police officer,
20 requirements for training, requirements for firearms licensing and qualifications and
21 requirements regarding uniform and equipment. Special police officers shall not be subject to
22 section 96B of chapter 41 of the General Laws. The cost of all training, uniforms and equipment
23 shall be borne by the special police officer.

24 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon passage.