

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 2648

By Ms. Malia of Boston, petition of Elizabeth A. Malia relative to the retirement rights of employees of the departments of Public Health, Mental Health and Mental Retardation. Public Service.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE RETIREMENT RIGHTS OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, AND MENTAL RETARDATION.

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

1 Subsection g of Section 3 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as  
2 appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding  
3 the following new language:—  
4 Group 2. Public works building police; permanent watershed  
5 guards and permanent park police; University of Massachusetts  
6 police; employees of the Massachusetts Port Authority comprising  
7 guards, guard sergeants, head guard and chief of waterfront police;  
8 officials and employees of the Department of Public Safety having  
9 police signal operators or signal maintenance repairmen; ambulance  
10 attendants of a municipal department who are required to respond to  
11 fires and perform duties assigned to them; employees of a city or  
12 town who are employed as licensed electricians and elevator maintenance  
13 men employed by a county; employees of Cushing Hospital;  
14 employees of the Commonwealth or of any county, regardless of any  
15 official classification, except sheriff, superintendent, assistant deputy  
16 superintendent and correction officers of county correctional facilities,  
17 whose regular and major duties require them to have the care,  
18 custody, instruction or other supervision of prisoners; and employees  
19 of the Commonwealth or of any county whose regular and major  
20 duties require them to have the care, custody, instruction or other  
21 supervision of parolees or persons who are mentally ill or mentally  
22 defective or defective delinquents or wayward children and

23 employees of Cushing Hospital; and all employees of the Depart-  
24 ment of Mental Retardation, Mental Health and Public Health; pro-  
25 vided, that no member who attains age sixty-five while classified in  
26 Group 1 may thereafter be classified in Group 2, irrespective of  
27 change in employment.