

HOUSE No. 4476

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David T. Vieira

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 the retirement benefits of retired police officer John R. Busby, Jr. of the Falmouth police department.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| <i>David T. Vieira</i> | <i>3rd Barnstable</i> |
| <i>Timothy R. Madden</i> | <i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i> |

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By Mr. Vieira of Falmouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4476) of David T. Vieira and Timothy R. Madden (by vote of the town) that the town of Falmouth retirement board be authorized to increase the accidental disability retirement allowance paid to John R. Busby, Jr., a police officer of said town. Public Service. [Local Approval Received.]

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

An Act relative to the retirement benefits of retired police officer John R. Busby, Jr. of the Falmouth police department.

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 section 7 of chapter 32 of the General Laws or any other
2 general or special law to the contrary, and in order to promote the public good, the Falmouth
3 retirement board shall increase the accidental disability retirement allowance paid to John R.
4 Busby, Jr. pursuant to said chapter 32, to an amount equal to the current annual rate of regular
5 compensation of a police officer with the town of Falmouth at the same or similar grade held by
6 John R. Busby, Jr. at the time of his retirement. The current annual rate of regular compensation
7 shall be determined as of the effective date of this act. The increase pursuant to this section is a
8 1-time increase which shall establish a new annual retirement allowance for John R. Busby, Jr;
9 provided, that John R. Busby, Jr. shall continue to receive any current cost-of-living adjustments
10 and any eligible veteran’s allowance to which he is entitled.

11 SECTION 2. Within 30 days of the effective date of this act, John R. Busby, Jr. may
12 elect, pursuant to section 12 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, to accept either: (i) the full
13 annual amount of his retirement allowance in accordance with option (a) of subdivision (2) of
14 section 12 of chapter 32, as established pursuant to section 1; or (ii) a lesser amount, determined
15 by the retirement board with reference to actuarial standards, to provide a retirement allowance
16 to his surviving spouse in accordance with option (c) of said subdivision (2) of said section 12 of
17 said chapter 32..

18 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.