

HOUSE No. 2284

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James J. Dwyer

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 defining certain disabilities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

James J. Dwyer

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

30th Middlesex

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By Mr. Dwyer of Woburn, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2284) of James J. Dwyer relative to the disability retirement law for public employees. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2299 OF 2013-2014.]

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

An Act relative to defining certain disabilities.

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. Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition
2 is amended by adding the following: — Section 94C. Notwithstanding the provisions of any
3 general or special law to the contrary affecting the non-contributory or contributory retirement
4 system, any condition or impairment of health caused by any disease of the lungs or respiratory
5 tract, resulting in total disability or death of a member of such system whose impairment was
6 caused by negative environmental factors in the workplace and which occurred subsequent to
7 employment in such workplace shall be presumed to have been suffered in the performance of
8 the job unless the contrary be shown by competent evidence.