

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2321**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Sheila C. Harrington*

*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 providing certain accidental disability retirement benefits for the widow of a former police officer of the city of Boston.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>
<i>Donald H. Wong</i>	<i>9th Essex</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>7th Norfolk</i>

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By Mrs. Harrington of Groton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2321) of Sheila C. Harrington and others relative to the payment of an accidental death benefit from the State-Boston retirement board to Maureen Shaw. Public Service.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2475 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act providing certain accidental disability retirement benefits for the widow of a former police officer of the city of Boston.

*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 to the contrary, and in order to  
2 promote the public good, there shall be paid an accidental death benefit from the State-Boston  
3 retirement board to Maureen Shaw, the widow of Kenneth James Shaw, a former police officer  
4 of the city of Boston who contracted Hepatitis C in the official performance of his duties.

5           SECTION 2. Such an accidental death benefit allowance shall consist of a yearly amount  
6 of pension equal to seventy-two percent of the annual rate of regular compensation of said  
7 Kenneth James Shaw for the twelve-month period for which he last received compensation from  
8 the police department of said city. Any annual cost-of-living increases, as determined by the

9 general court, shall before payments are made, be approved by the State-Boston retirement  
10 board.

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