

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2584**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Paul Tucker*

*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 cost of living adjustments for retired justices.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Paul Tucker*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*7th Essex*

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By Mr. Tucker of Salem, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2584) of Paul Tucker relative to the cost-of-living adjustments for retired justices. Public Service.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to the cost of living adjustments for retired justices.

*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 2012 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended by inserting after Section 65J the following section: -

3           Section 65k. All justices of the supreme judicial court, appeals court and the several  
4 departments of the trial court, who have reached the mandatory retirement age of 70 under the  
5 Massachusetts Constitution, Part II, c.3 article 1, as amended by the Article 98 of the  
6 Amendments, shall be entitled to an adjustment to their annual pension; and said pension shall be  
7 increased at the same rate of increase, if any, as the percentage change in the Consumer Price  
8 Index for Urban Workers for the Northeast Region commencing on July 1, 2018, and every year  
9 thereafter.