The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Danielle W. Gregoire

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 adjustment for state and teacher retirees.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Danielle W. Gregoire	4th Middlesex	2/8/2021
Brian W. Murray	10th Worcester	2/17/2021
Tram T. Nguyen	18th Essex	2/18/2021
Carole A. Fiola	6th Bristol	2/18/2021
Sally P. Kerans	13th Essex	2/26/2021
Patrick M. O'Connor	Plymouth and Norfolk	4/7/2021

HOUSE No. 2664

By Miss Gregoire of Marlborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2664) of Danielle W. Gregoire and others relative to the cost of living adjustment for state and teacher retirees. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 1487 OF 2019-2020.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court (2021-2022)

An Act relative to the cost of living adjustment for state and teacher retirees.

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. Paragraph (c) of section 102 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as
- 2 appearing in the 2018 Official Edition, is amended by striking out in lines 34, 38 and 46 the
- dollar amount "\$13,000", and inserting in place thereof the following words: \$14,000 in fiscal
- 4 year 2022, \$15,000 in fiscal year 2023 and \$16,000 in fiscal year 2024.
- 5 SECTION 2. Subdivision (2A) of section 23 of said chapter 32, as so appearing, is
- 6 amended by inserting the following paragraph:-
- 7 (k) Beginning March 2023 and each March thereafter, the PRIM board shall file with the
- 8 clerk of the house of representatives a report on the average rate of return on investments by the
- 9 board during the last two previous years, including a statement whether the average rate of return

during the last two previous years exceeds, by two percent, the average of the assumed rate of return for those two years.

SECTION 3. Section 102 of said chapter 32, as so appearing, is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following paragraph: -

(h) Beginning March 2023 and each March thereafter, the PRIM board shall file with the clerk of the house of representatives the report prepared in accordance with paragraph (k) of subdivision (2A) of section 23. If said report states that the average rate of return on investments during the last two previous years exceeds, by two percent, the average of the assumed rate of return for those two years, the general court shall then determine if an increase in the dollar amount set forth in said paragraph (c) is appropriate and if so, establish the higher dollar amount to be set forth in said paragraph (c).