

SENATE No. 1081

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Ms. Jehlen

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to teacher retirement.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Ms. Jehlen	Second Middlesex
Martha M. Walz	8th Suffolk
Elizabeth A. Malia	11th Suffolk
Anthony D. Galluccio	Middlesex, Suffolk and Essex
Christine E. Canavan	10th Plymouth
Bill Bowles	2nd Bristol
John P. Fresolo	16th Worcester
Tom Sannicandro	7th Middlesex
Barbara A. L'Italien	18th Essex
James Dwyer	30th Middlesex
Matthew C. Patrick	3rd Barnstable
Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	26th Middlesex
Carlo P. Basile	1st Suffolk

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S01513 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO TEACHER RETIREMENT.

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 the provisions of any general or special law, rule or regulation to
2 the contrary, a teacher, as defined in Chapter 32, who has been laid off because of budget cuts
3 and has been recalled to active service may have such layoff time credited as creditable service.
4 The State Teachers Retirement Board and State-Boston Retirement Board shall promulgate rules
5 and regulations concerning buyback payments with regular interest. Such layoff time shall be
6 considered as a leave of absence without any break in service. This bill would allow teachers
7 who were laid off through no fault of their own but because of budget cuts to purchase up to four
8 years of creditable service in the retirement system.