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HOUSE . . . . . No. 2442

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Ellen Story

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:

An Act directing the state retirement board to retire Robert Emmet Fitzgerald.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Ellen Story	*3rd Hampshire*
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	*12th Hampden*
Peter V. Kocot	*1st Hampshire*
Michael J. Finn	*6th Hampden*

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By Ms. Story of Amherst, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2442) of Ellen Story and others for legislation to provide for a certain pension to Robert Emmet Fitzgerald, a former State Police Officer, injured while in the performance of his duties as an undercover State Police narcotics officer. Public Service.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
HOUSE
, NO. *734* OF 2011-2012.]

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An Act directing the state retirement board to retire Robert Emmet Fitzgerald.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, and in order to promote the public good, the State Retirement Board is hereby authorized and directed to retire Robert Emmet Fitzgerald, a former State Police Officer, who as a result of injuries sustained while in the performance of his duties as an undercover State Police narcotics officer, is incapacitated from further service as a State Trooper.

Robert Emmet Fitzgerald was seriously injured (PTSD) due to his isolation in “B” Troop for two years posing as a heroin addict. Little administrative and professional back up support was available at this time.

The annual amount of pension payable to Robert Emmet Fitzgerald shall be fixed in an amount equal to the regular rate of compensation which would have been paid had he continued in service as a State Trooper up to the March 13, 1991 formal notification of then Secreatry of Public Safety James B. Roche. It will also be retroactive to that date and include health benefits.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.