

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4014**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Walter F. Timilty*

*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 authorizing the town administrator of the town of Milton to appoint the police chief.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>7th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/29/2016</i>
<i>Brian A. Joyce</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i>	<i>1/29/2016</i>

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By Mr. Timilty of Milton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4014) of Walter F. Timilty and Brian A. Joyce (by vote of the town) relative to the appointment of the chief of police in the town of Milton. Public Service. [Local Approval Received.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act authorizing the town administrator of the town of Milton to appoint the police chief.

*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 272 of the acts of 1989 is hereby amended by striking out section 2  
2 and inserting in place thereof the following section:-

3           Section 2. Notwithstanding section 97 of chapter 41 of the General Laws or any other  
4 general or special law to the contrary, upon the occurrence of a vacancy in the office of police  
5 chief in the town of Milton, the Milton town administrator may fill such vacancy and all future  
6 vacancies by appointing a police chief under a contract for a term of years not to exceed 5 years.  
7 Such appointment shall be made in accordance with the procedures set forth in the town by-laws.  
8 Until the appointment of a police chief in accordance with these procedures, the Milton town  
9 administrator may appoint a current sworn member of the police department of the town of  
10 Milton as acting police chief to fill the vacancy.

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