

HOUSE No. 3809

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradford Hill and Bruce E. Tarr

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 further regulating certain affordable housing in Ipswich, Massachusetts.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Bradford Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>	<i>5/20/2021</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	<i>5/20/2021</i>

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By Representative Hill of Ipswich and Senator Tarr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3809) of Bradford Hill and Bruce E. Tarr (by vote of the town) that the town of Ipswich be authorized to further regulate certain affordable housing in said town. Housing. [Local Approval Received.]

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

An Act further regulating certain affordable housing in Ipswich, Massachusetts.

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. Construction and development activity related to development by the
2 Ipswich Housing Authority of the Agawam Village Apartments, a ninety-four (94) unit
3 multifamily housing project in Ipswich, Massachusetts, or any part thereof, shall not be subject
4 to any general or special law related to the procurement and award of contracts for the planning,
5 design, construction management, construction, reconstruction, installation, demolition,
6 maintenance or repair of buildings by a public agency but shall be subject to sections 26 to 27H,
7 inclusive, of chapter 149 of the General Laws. Contracts for the construction, reconstruction,
8 alteration, remodeling or repair of any publicly-owned public works that services this project and
9 that would otherwise be subject to section 39M of chapter 30 of the General Laws shall be
10 subject to said section 39M of said chapter 30 if the redevelopment of the project is funded, in
11 part, by a state or federal low-income housing tax credit, grant or loan or pursuant to the issuance
12 of tax-exempt bonds authorized by law. A conveyance of the project, whether by leasehold or fee

13 estate, to an urban redevelopment corporation organized under chapter 121A of the General
14 Laws or to a nonprofit state and federally tax-exempt corporation organized to revitalize the
15 project shall be subject to chapter 30B of the General Laws to the extent that the project is
16 conveyed to an entity that is not owned, controlled or managed by the Ipswich Housing
17 Authority on the date of the conveyance. Subject to compliance with the requirements of said
18 chapter 30B, the project may be conveyed to and may be owned, maintained and operated by an
19 entity that is not owned, controlled or managed by the Ipswich Housing Authority provided that
20 such entity enters into a binding legal contract and land use restriction with the Ipswich Housing
21 Authority and with the department of housing and community development that requires
22 compliance with chapter 121B of the General Laws and 760 CMR §§ 4.00 et seq., 5.00 et seq.
23 and 6.00 et seq. in the same manner and to the same effect as if such entity were a housing
24 authority, subject to such regulatory waivers given by the department of housing and community
25 development as may be necessary to secure financing.

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