

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1043**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***Richard T. Moore***

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*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 empowering zoning boards of appeals.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Richard T. Moore*

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By Mr. Moore, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1043) of Richard T. Moore for legislation to empower zoning boards of appeals. Municipalities and Regional Government.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 652 OF 2009-2010.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act empowering zoning boards of appeals.

*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 40B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, after section 21, the following new section:-

3                   Section 21A. During hearings and appeals held by a zoning board of appeals  
4 regarding low or moderate income housing projects seeking a comprehensive permit, members  
5 of the zoning board of appeals may raise and argue all relevant concerns without restriction.

6                   SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2012.