

HOUSE No. 2894

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David T. Vieira

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 relative to petition by city or town pursuant to home rule amendment.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

David T. Vieira

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

3rd Barnstable

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By Mr. Vieira of Falmouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2894) of David T. Vieira that local approvals of home rule petitions remain valid until the municipal governing body rescinds such approval. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to petition by city or town pursuant to home rule amendment.

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

1 An Act relative to petition by city or town pursuant to home rule amendment.

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3 SECTION 1. Chapter 3 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is
4 hereby amended by inserting after section 8A the following section:-

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6 Section 8B. The approval vote required to file a petition pursuant to the provisions of
7 Section 8(1) of Article LXXXIX of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth
8 shall not expire, and no additional vote shall be required to file a petition unless a vote to rescind
9 such approval is passed by the voters of a city or town, or the mayor and city council or other
10 legislative body of a city, or the town meeting or other legislative body of a town.