

HOUSE No. 4146

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, June 5, 2014.

The committee on Municipalities and Regional Government to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 71) of James B. Eldridge, Daniel A. Wolf, Paul McMurtry, Denise Andrews and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to comprehensive land use reform and partnership;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 926) of Gale D. Candaras, Brian M. Ashe and Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr. for legislation relative to local licenses and permits;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 928) of Harriette L. Chandler and Gale D. Candaras for legislation relative to land use;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 929) of Sonia Chang-Diaz, Carlos Henriquez, Denise Provost, Denise Andrews and other members of the General Court for legislation to prevent discriminatory land use and permitting decisions;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 930) of Cynthia S. Creem and Ryan C. Fattman for legislation to remove or transport trash;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 938) of Patricia Baker for legislation relative to the certification of assessors;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 939) of Bob Eisengrein for legislation to incorporate the town of Devens;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 943) of James B. Eldridge for legislation to authorize certain remediation funds for the use of town or water supply district into a trust fund;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 948) of Jennifer L. Flanagan, Jonathan D. Zlotnik, Jennifer E. Benson, Kate Hogan and other members of the General Court for legislation to allow municipalities to invest in credit unions;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 949) of John Hart, Jr. for legislation relative to parking safety on an incline;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 950) of Robert L. Hedlund for legislation relative to the zoning of marijuana treatment centers;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 954) of John F. Keenan, Bruce J. Ayers, Tackey Chan and Ronald Mariano for legislation to ban billboards on MBTA property in the city of Quincy;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 957) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation relative to tethering of dogs;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 959) of Michael O. Moore, William C. Galvin and Jason M. Lewis for legislation to allow for the decriminalization of minor offenses;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 961) of Richard T. Moore and Danielle W. Gregoire for legislation relating to contracts for certain town officers;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 963) of Richard T. Moore and Jason M. Lewis for legislation to promote municipal efficiency and innovation through regional collaboration;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 964) of Richard T. Moore, John V. Fernandes and Karen E. Spilka for legislation relative to promote transparency in municipal finance;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 968) of Michael F. Rush for legislation relative to increasing the fine for conducting or maintaining open air parking lots without a license;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 971) of Michael F. Rush for legislation relative to municipal services;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 974) of Rosa Simmons for legislation relative to landlord notification;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 976) of Bruce E. Tarr and Richard J. Ross for legislation relative to land use regulations;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 981) of Daniel A. Wolf and Timothy R. Madden for legislation relative to the local authorization of playing fields;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 984) of Daniel A. Wolf for legislation pertaining to the Issuance of Notes by a City, County or Town, as Fiscal Administrator to the Cape Light Compact in Anticipation of Energy Efficiency Revenues to be Received by the Cape Light Compact as Municipal Aggregator and Energy Efficiency Program Administrator;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1771) of Gale D. Candaras for legislation relative to the South Hadley Fire District Number Two;

petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1772) of Bruce E. Tarr and Bradford Hill for legislation to authorize the town of Hamilton to impose a lien upon property in the towns of Wenham and Essex to secure unpaid water fees and charges;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 708) of Sean Garballey that the Boston Metropolitan Area Planning Council conduct a study of potential flood storage at the site of the former Metropolitan District Commission's Skating Rink bordering the towns of Arlington and Belmont;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 790) of Kathi-Anne Reinstein for legislation to prohibit licensing by the Department of Environmental Protection of a third burner at the Wheelabrator facility in the town of Saugus;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 791) of Kathi-Anne Reinstein relative to the licensing of a third burner at the Wheelabrator facility in the town of Saugus;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1820) of Antonio F. D. Cabral and Mark C. Montigny for legislation to assure fair and adequate municipal gap funding for municipalities;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1821) of Thomas J. Calter and others relative to establishing a community safe school fund;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1823) of Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera that certain recycling funds paid to cities and towns be used exclusively for funding extracurricular activities in schools;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1824) of Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera and William C. Galvin relative to establishing a seized animal fund;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1827) of Josh S. Cutler and others relative to the voting qualifications of municipal board members at public hearings;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1828) of Viriato Manuel deMacedo and Thomas J. Calter relative to zoning ordinances and by-laws for special permits or by-laws for environmental licenses for sober houses, so-called;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1832) of Paul J. Donato for legislation to prohibit cities and towns from passing any rule, regulation, ordinance or by-law which interferes with interstate or intrastate trade or commerce;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1834) of Mary C. Pratt for legislation to provide that certain abutting cities or towns have the same privileges for comment as a city or town in which construction sites are situated;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1837) of Robert F. Fennell relative to the zoning of certain vacant lots;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1838) of Susan Williams Gifford for legislation to include the installation of solar energy systems or the building of structures to facilitate the collection of solar energy under local zoning ordinances or by-laws;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1844) of Paul R. Heroux and others for legislation to further regulate the laying out of senior citizen footpaths by cities and towns;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1845) of Kevin G. Honan for legislation to expand subdivision regulations to include reconstruction;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1846) of Kevin G. Honan relative to the acceptance of subdivision streets and roads;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1847) of Kevin G. Honan relative to municipal review of proposed land use or structures not requiring a special permit or a variance;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1849) of Steven S. Howitt and others relative to establishing a special commission to study the effects of unfunded mandates on municipalities;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1850) of Donald F. Humason, Jr. for legislation to prohibit the the expenditure of funds by cities and towns for the construction, ownership or operation of golf courses;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1851) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others relative to the acceptance and disposition of municipal easements;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1855) of Robert M. Koczera relative to sustainable land use relative to subdivisions;

joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1863) of Timothy R. Madden and Daniel A. Wolf for legislation to amend the Nantucket Historic District Commission Act;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1866) of Michael J. Moran for the establishment of municipal relief funds in cities and towns;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1867) of James M. Murphy relative to uniformly located address numbers on all buildings in the Commonwealth;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1876) of Todd M. Smola relative to standardizing rabies vaccination certificates;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1878) of Walter F. Timilty for legislation to limit the operation of parking lots subcontracted for a single use event;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1881) of Martin J. Walsh and others relative to blighted properties;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1884) of Daniel B. Winslow for legislation to authorize cities and towns to establish free enterprise zones to stimulate job production and economic revitalization;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1885) of Daniel B. Winslow and Randy Hunt relative to forward funding of local labor contracts;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3429) of Harold P. Naughton, Jr. relative to the collection and use of fees charged by municipalities;

petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3456) of John W. Scibak and Ellen Story (by vote of the town) relative to the South Hadley Fire District Number Two, reports recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 4146) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

SARAH K. PEAKE.

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1 *Ordered*, That the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government be authorized
2 to sit during a recess of the General Court to make an investigation and study of Senate
3 documents numbered 71, 926, 928, 929, 930, 938, 939, 943, 948, 949, 950, 954, 957, 959, 961,
4 963, 964, 968, 971, 974, 976, 981, 984, 1771, and 1772 and House documents numbered 708,
5 790, 791, 1820, 1821, 1823, 1824, 1827, 1828, 1832, 1834, 1837, 1838, 1844, 1845, 1846, 1847,
6 1849, 1850, 1851, 1855, 1863, 1866, 1867, 1876, 1878, 1881, 1884, 1885, 3429, and 3456,
7 relative to miscellaneous issues.

8 Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of its investigation and study
9 and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such
10 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the House of Representatives
11 on or before December 31, 2014.