

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 4473

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Ten  
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An Act amending the charter of the town of Millis to establish an appointed board of assessors..

*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. Section III-3 of the charter of the town of Millis, which is on file in the  
2   archivist of the commonwealth, as provided by section 12 of chapter 43B of the General Laws, is  
3   hereby amended by adding the following 2 sentences:- Further, the selectmen shall have the  
4   power to appoint a 3-member board of assessors for terms of 3 years, and may terminate the  
5   same at their discretion. The members of this board shall be made up of registered voters of the  
6   town of Millis.

7           SECTION 2. Section IV-2 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out paragraphs  
8   (d)

9           to (i), inclusive, and inserting in place thereof the following 4 paragraphs:-

10          (d)There shall be 3 library trustees each elected for a term of 3 years, so arranged that the  
11   term

12          of 1 trustee expires each year;

(e) There shall be a planning board composed of 5 members, each elected for a term of 5 years,

so arranged that the term of 1 member expires each year;

(f) There shall be a housing authority composed of 5 members, 4 of whom shall be elected for

a term of 5 years and 1 of whom shall be appointed as provided in chapter 121B of the General Laws; and

(g) There shall be a board of health composed of 3 members, each elected for a term of 3 years,

so arranged that the term of 1 member expires each year.

SECTION 3. Said charter is hereby further amended by adding the following section:-

Section VI-8.

Upon the effective date of the amendments to this charter, as authorized by the annual town meeting on June 15, 2009, the board of selectmen shall be authorized to appoint a board of assessors in accordance with the provisions of section III-3. Initial appointments under said section shall be made as follows: 1 for a 1-year term, 1 for a 2-year term, and 1 for a 3-year term. Upon the appointment of a board of assessors in accordance with said section III-3, the terms of the incumbent members of the board of assessors shall terminate, and the elected board of assessors shall be abolished. No contracts or liabilities in force on the effective date of the amendments to this charter, as authorized by the annual town meeting on June 15, 2009, shall be affected by the abolition of the elected board of assessors. The appointed board

34           shall, in all respects, be the lawful successor of the elected board. All records, property  
35 and equipment whatsoever of the elected board are assigned to the appointed board.

36           SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage .