

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 5118**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Ten**  
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An Act changing the date of the annual town meeting in the town of North Reading..

*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. The home rule charter of the town of North Reading, which is on file in the  
2 office of the archivist of the commonwealth, as provided in section 12 of chapter 43B of the  
3 General Laws, is hereby amended by striking out section 2-4-1 and inserting in place thereof the  
4 following section:-

5 Section 2-4-1 The town meeting shall meet regularly on the first available Monday in  
6 June not in conflict with a religious or legal holiday to consider and adopt an annual operating  
7 and capital budget, and to act on other financial matters, as well as to consider and act upon such  
8 other business as may properly come before the meeting; and on the first available Monday in  
9 October not in conflict with a religious or legal holiday to consider and act on matters of  
10 planning, zoning, subdivision control, building codes, and all other matters of a by-law nature, as  
11 well as to consider and act upon such other business as may properly come before the meeting,  
12 including financial matters; said dates for the June and October town meetings shall be set by the  
13 board of selectmen at a public hearing held during a regularly scheduled meeting of the board  
14 annually in January.

15           SECTION 2. Section 2-5-1 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out the word  
16 “April” and inserting in place thereof the following word:- June.

17           SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.