

SENATE No. 622

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act relative to community housing and senior centers..

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 2 of Chapter 44B of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 inserting at the end of the definition of “rehabilitation” after the figure “68” the following:-

3 “With respect to community housing, rehabilitation shall also include repairs,
4 maintenance and other improvements to the housing facilities needed to keep the facilities in
5 good repair for the inhabitants.”

6 SECTION 2. Section 2 of Chapter 44B of the General Laws is hereby amended by
7 inserting at the end of the definition of “community housing” the following:-

8 “and senior centers”.

9 SECTION 3. Subsection (b) of Section 5 of Chapter 44B of the General Laws is hereby
10 amended by striking out the first sentence of clause (2) and inserting in place thereof the
11 following:-

12 “The community preservation committee shall make recommendations to the legislative
13 body for the acquisition, creation and preservation of open space; for the acquisition,

14 preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of historic resources; for the acquisition, creation and
15 preservation of land for recreational use; for the acquisition, creation, preservation, support and
16 rehabilitation of community housing which shall include the acquisition of land for the
17 construction of senior centers and preservation, support and maintenance for new or existing
18 senior centers; and for the rehabilitation or restoration of open space land for recreational use and
19 community housing that is acquired or created as provided in this section.”