

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1436**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Paul J. Donato***

*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 the powers and duties of cities and towns.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Paul J. Donato</i>	<i>35th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/20/2011</i>

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By Mr. Donato of Medford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1436) of Paul J. Donato relative to the powers and duties of cities and towns. Municipalities and Regional Government.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**

An Act relative to the powers and duties of cities and towns.

*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 21 of chapter 40 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
2   Official Edition, is amended in line XXX by inserting after the word “limits”, the following:—  
3           , provided that, notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, a city or town  
4   may not make any ordinance or by-law interfering with interstate or intrastate trade or commerce  
5   or regulating any product or consumer good.