

HOUSE No. 1563

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Marc T. Lombardo

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 sanctuary cities and towns.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Marc T. Lombardo</i>	<i>22nd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/20/2011</i>
<i>Steven L. Levy</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/2/2011</i>
<i>James J. Lyons, Jr.</i>	<i>18th Essex</i>	<i>1/21/2011</i>
<i>Daniel K. Webster</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>

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By Mr. Lombardo of Billerica, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1563) of Marc T. Lombardo and others relative to sanctuary cities and towns. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to sanctuary 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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any city or town
2 which fails to enforce federal immigration laws shall not receive unrestricted general government
3 aid, as prescribed by the general appropriations act; provided, quarterly payments of unrestricted
4 general government aid to be disbursed to the city or town shall cease upon verification of the
5 failure of the city or town to comply with federal immigration laws. Failure to comply with
6 federal immigration laws shall include, but is not limited to, a declaration of “sanctuary city”
7 status by the chief executive or executive board or legislative branch of the city or town.