HOUSE No. 2324

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 acceptance and disposition of municipal easements.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex	1/20/2011
Katherine M. Clark	Fifth Middlesex	2/3/2011
William N. Brownsberger		1/27/2011
Donald F. Humason, Jr.	4th Hampden	1/27/2011
Elizabeth A. Poirier	14th Bristol	2/2/2011
F. Jay Barrows	1st Bristol	2/2/2011
Shaunna O'Connell	3rd Bristol	2/2/2011
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden	2/3/2011
Kevin J. Kuros	8th Worcester	2/3/2011
Sheila C. Harrington	1st Middlesex	2/4/2011
Paul K. Frost	7th Worcester	2/4/2011
James J. Dwyer	30th Middlesex	1/26/2011

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2324) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others relative to the acceptance and disposition of municipal easements. Municipalities and Regional Government.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to the acceptance and disposition of municipal easements.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- SECTION 1. Chapter 40 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official edition,
- 2 is hereby amended by adding after section 14 the following new section:-
- 3 Section 14A. In any town, the Board of Selectman may accept any conveyance of land or
- 4 any interest therein, including easements, provided that any purchase of such land or any interest
- 5 therein, including easements, has been previously authorized by vote of the town as may be
- 6 required by state law or local bylaw and an appropriation of money has been made as provided in
- 7 section 14. Such Board may also accept any conveyance of land or any interest therein,
- 8 including easements, for nominal consideration of less than one hundred dollars and for which
- 9 no appropriation is required. In any town, the Board of Selectman may approve the conveyance
- of any easement, provided that the conveyance has been previously authorized by vote of the
- town as may be required by state law or local bylaw.