

HOUSE No. 3630

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Sean Garballey

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 state aid to municipalities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/21/2011</i>

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By Mr. Garballey of Arlington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3630) of Sean Garballey relative to state aid to municipalities. Ways and Means.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to state aid to municipalities.

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 13 of chapter 70 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:—

3 (f) In any fiscal year, if the amount appropriated is less than the amount of unrestricted
4 general government aid in the previous fiscal year, it shall not be reduced to an amount below the
5 sum of the municipality’s lottery and additional assistance local aid as appropriated in fiscal year
6 2002. If there is an appropriation to any municipality below this sum, the commonwealth shall
7 defend, indemnify and hold harmless the municipality from all claims by third parties which may
8 arise out of the result of this reduction in aid.