

HOUSE No. 4232

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Anne M. Gobi

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 establishing the position of treasurer-collector in the town of Oakham.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Anne M. Gobi</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>	<i>7/2/2012</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>7/2/2012</i>
<i>Stephen M. Brewer</i>	<i>Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex</i>	<i>7/3/2012</i>

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By Ms. Gobi of Spencer, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4232) of Anne M. Gobi, Kimberly N. Ferguson and Stephen M. Brewer (by vote of the town) for legislation to establish the position of treasurer-collector in the town of Oakham. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Twelve

An Act establishing the position of treasurer-collector in the town of Oakham.

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 sections 1 and 1B of chapter 41 of the General Laws or
2 any other general or special law to the contrary, there shall be a treasurer-collector for the town
3 of Oakham. The treasurer-collector shall be appointed by the board of selectmen of the town for
4 a term not to exceed 3 years and may be removed by the board after notice and opportunity for a
5 hearing. A vacancy in the office shall be filled in a like manner for the unexpired portion of the
6 term. The treasurer-collector shall have the power to perform the duties, and be subject to the
7 liabilities and penalties now or hereafter conferred or imposed by law on town treasurers and
8 town collectors of taxes.

9 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding section 1 of this act, to transition to a treasurer-collector,
10 the incumbent town collector serving at the time of the effective date of this act shall continue to
11 hold such office and perform the duties thereof until the expiration of the elected term or sooner
12 vacating of the office.

13 The board of selectmen shall appoint, and may remove, a temporary town treasurer to
14 serve from the day following the 2013 annual town election until the expiration of the term of the
15 of the incumbent town collector or upon vacating of the office; provided, however, that if this act
16 is not in effect at least 35 days prior to the date of the 2013 annual town election, the office of
17 town treasurer shall appear on the ballot and any person so elected shall hold said office and
18 perform the duties thereof only until the board of selectmen appoints a temporary town treasurer.
19 Upon the appointment of a temporary town treasurer pursuant to this act, the term of the elected
20 incumbent town treasurer shall terminate.

21 Upon the expiration of the term of the incumbent town collector, or sooner vacating of
22 the office, an appointment of a treasurer collector shall be made in accordance with section 1 of
23 this act, the elected positions of town collector and town treasurer shall be abolished and the term
24 of the elected incumbent town collector terminated.

25 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.