

HOUSE No. 574

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Todd M. Smola and Stephen M. Brewer

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 authorizing the town of Sturbridge to convey a certain parcel of land.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Todd M. Smola</i> | <i>1st Hampden</i> | <i>1/19/2011</i> |
| <i>Stephen M. Brewer</i> | <i>Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex</i> | <i>2/1/2011</i> |

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By Mr. Smola of Palmer and Senator Brewer, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 574) of Todd M. Smola and Stephen Brewer relative to the town of Sturbridge conveying a certain parcel of land. [Local Approval Received.] [Municipalities and Regional Government].

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven
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An Act authorizing the town of Sturbridge to convey a certain parcel of land.

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. The board of selectmen of the town of Sturbridge may transfer the care,
2 custody and control of a certain parcel of land owned by the town and held for educational
3 purposes to said board for the purpose of conveyance to an abutting property owner. The
4 property is a certain L-shaped portion of town-owned land located at 45 Burgess School road in
5 the town of Sturbridge and is described in an order of taking recorded with the Worcester south
6 district registry of deeds in book 4350 at page 324. The parcel, shown on a sketch entitled “Land
7 Swap Study” dated December 16, 2009 and on file in the office of the town clerk, contains
8 22,340 square feet, more or less, is no longer needed by the town for educational purposes or any
9 other public purposes and is surplus property. The parcel shall be conveyed subject to a drainage
10 easement for the benefit of the town of Sturbridge.

11 SECTION 2. The conveyance authorized in section 1 shall be on such terms and
12 conditions, and for such consideration, as the selectmen deem appropriate; provided, however,
13 that in consideration of the conveyance set forth in section 1, the grantees as abutters shall

14 convey to the board of selectmen of the town of Sturbridge a square-shaped parcel of land,
15 approximately 11,157 square feet, lying to the north of their hotel at 408 Main street near the
16 southwest corner of land of the town of Sturbridge for the purpose of completing the Burgess
17 Elementary School project. The parcel is also shown on the sketch described in section 1 entitled
18 “Land Swap Study” on file in the office of the town clerk and is a portion of a 2.38 acre parcel
19 identified in the town of Sturbridge assessor database as ID# 415-02446-408.

20 SECTION 3. The board of selectmen of the town of Sturbridge and the grantees shall
21 take all actions they deem necessary or advisable in their sole discretion to carry out the
22 conveyances and the grant of the drainage easement as set forth in sections 1 and 2, including,
23 without limitation, the execution of any and all documents relative thereto.