

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1292**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Benjamin B. Downing***

*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 further regulating the appointment of police officers.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Benjamin B. Downing*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Berkshire, Hampshire, Franklin and Hampden*

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By Mr. Downing, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1292) of Benjamin B. Downing for legislation to further regulate the appointment of police officers. Public Service.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1050 OF 2009-2010.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act further regulating the appointment of police officers.

*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. Section 58 of chapter 31 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out in line 23 the word "twenty-first" and  
3 inserting in place thereof the following word: - nineteenth.

4           SECTION 2. Said section 58, of said chapter 31, as so appearing, is hereby further  
5 amended by inserting at the end of the second paragraph: - No person shall be eligible for  
6 original appointment to the position of police officer in any city or town until that person has  
7 reached the age of twenty-one.