

**SENATE . . . . . No. 245**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Bruce E. Tarr***

*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 waiver of charter regulations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	
<i>Michael R. Knapik</i>	
<i>Robert L. Hedlund</i>	
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 245) of Bruce E. Tarr, Michael R. Knapik, Robert L. Hedlund and Richard J. Ross for legislation relative to waiver charter regulations. Education.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act relative to waiver of charter regulations.

*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 89 of Chapter 71 of the general laws is hereby amended by adding at the end  
2 thereto the following new subsection:

3           (nn) The board shall promulgate regulations for implementation and enforcement of this  
4 section. The board shall also develop procedures and guidelines for the waiver of any regulations  
5 implementing this section; provided, that no waivers shall be issued except at the written request  
6 of the charter applicant or at the written request of the board itself, both of which shall only be  
7 for exceptional circumstances. Said waiver must be accompanied by a written explanation of the  
8 reasons for the waiver, and may only be issued by a 2/3 vote of the board.