## HOUSE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 3355

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

## Geoff Diehl and John F. Keenan

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 amending the charter of the town of Abington.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Geoff Diehl	7th Plymouth	1/18/2013
John F. Keenan	Norfolk and Plymouth	1/29/2013

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By Representative Diehl of Whitman and Senator Keenan, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3355) of Geoff Diehl and John F. Keenan (by vote of the town) relative to amending the charter of the town of Abington concerning the maintenance of park, recreation and other public areas. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Section 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 5 and 14 of Chapter 45 of the General Laws, or of any other general law or special law to the contrary, the Charter of the Town of Abington is hereby amended by deleting the third sentence of section 3-12 and inserting in place thereof the following:- The Highway Department shall have general management of the town playing fields, parks, public lawns and landscaping areas, the town pool and all property of the town relating thereto, in coordination with the Town Manager.

Section 2. As of the effective date of this act, all property held in the care, custody, management and control of the board of park and recreation commissioners for town playing fields, parks, public lawns and landscaped areas and the town pool shall hereby be transferred to the care, custody and control of the board of selectmen for such purposes.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.