

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3834**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Robert M. Koczera and Mark C. Montigny*

*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 eliminating the board of public works of the town of Acushnet.

PETITION OF:

| NAME:                    | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:                  | DATE ADDED:     |
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| <i>Robert M. Koczera</i> | <i>11th Bristol</i>                | <i>1/2/2014</i> |
| <i>Mark C. Montigny</i>  | <i>Second Bristol and Plymouth</i> | <i>1/7/2014</i> |

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By Representative Koczera of New Bedford and Senator Montigny, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3834) of Robert M. Koczera and Mark C. Montigny (by vote of the town) that the town of Acushnet be authorized to eliminate the board of public works of said town. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Fourteen**

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An Act eliminating the board of public works of the town of Acushnet.

*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 any other General or Special Law to the contrary, the Charter  
2 of the Town of Acushnet, as on file in the office of the Archivist of the Commonwealth as  
3 provided in General Laws Chapter 43B, Section 12, is hereby amended by deleting Section 10 of  
4 Chapter 3, Board of Public Works, in its entirety, and the Board of Public Works shall thereupon  
5 be abolished.

6           Section 2. As of the effective date of this Act, the terms of any incumbent members of  
7 the Board of Public Works serving as of such date shall immediately terminate.

8           Section 3. The powers, duties and responsibilities of the Board of Public Works shall be  
9 transferred by operation of law to the Board of Selectmen. No contracts or liabilities then in  
10 force shall be affected by such abolition and the Board of Selectmen shall in all respects be the  
11 lawful successor of the Board of Public Works. The Board of Selectmen may delegate the  
12 powers, duties and responsibilities of the Board of Public Works to another entity at its  
13 discretion.

14           Section 4. This Act shall take effect upon passage.