

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4476**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Garrett J. Bradley and Robert L. Hedlund***

*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 Hingham to establish a reserve fund for certain special education costs.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Garrett J. Bradley</i>	<i>3rd Plymouth</i>	<i>9/16/2014</i>
<i>Robert L. Hedlund</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>9/17/2014</i>
<i>James M. Murphy</i>	<i>4th Norfolk</i>	<i>9/16/2014</i>

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By Representative Bradley of Hingham and Senator Hedlund, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4476) of Garrett J. Bradley, Robert L. Hedlund and James M. Murphy (by vote of the town) that the town of Hingham be authorized to establish a reserve fund for 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 authorizing the town of Hingham to establish a reserve fund for certain special education costs.

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

1           Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the town of Hingham school  
2 committee may appropriate or transfer, in any year without further appropriation, money from  
3 the school department budget to establish a reserve fund to provide for payment of unanticipated,  
4 unbudgeted and extraordinary costs of special education out-of-district tuitions and  
5 transportation.

6           The board of selectmen may appropriate or transfer in any fiscal year money from the  
7 town budget to fund said reserve fund. Such appropriation or transfer shall be in addition to any  
8 appropriation or transfer approved by town meeting from time-to-time to such reserve fund. The  
9 balance in the fund shall not exceed 2 per cent of annual net school spending as defined in  
10 chapter 70 of the General Laws for the prior fiscal year.