

HOUSE No. 303

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Chris Walsh

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 concerning gateway municipalities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/15/2015</i>
<i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i>	<i>3rd Berkshire</i>	<i>1/21/2015</i>
<i>Marcos A. Devers</i>	<i>16th Essex</i>	<i>8/21/2019</i>
<i>Tom Sannicandro</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>8/21/2019</i>

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By Mr. Walsh of Framingham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 303) of Chris Walsh and others relative to the definition of “gateway municipality”. Economic Development and Emerging Technologies.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act concerning gateway municipalities.

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 3A of chapter 23A, of the General Laws as appearing in the 2012
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the definition for “Gateway municipality” and
3 inserting in place thereof the following new definition:-

4 “Gateway municipality”, a municipality with a population greater than 35,000 and less
5 than 250,000; a median household income below the commonwealth’s average and a rate of
6 education attainment of a bachelor’s degree or above that is below the commonwealth’s average
7 designated by the Secretary of Housing and Economic Development pursuant to this chapter or a
8 municipality with a population greater than 65,000 and less than 250,000 that includes at least 3
9 census tracts with poverty rates of at least 20 percent and with median family income that does
10 not exceed 80 percent of the statewide median family income.