

SENATE No. 1934

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kenneth J. Donnelly

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 town manager act of Arlington authorizing the town manager to appoint the director of assessments.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Kenneth J. Donnelly</i>	<i>Fourth Middlesex</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Donnelly, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1934) of Kenneth J. Donnelly, Sean Garballey and David M. Rogers (by vote of the town) for legislation to amend the town manager act of Arlington authorizing the town manager to appoint the director of assessments. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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

An Act amending the town manager act of Arlington authorizing the town manager to appoint the director of assessments.

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. Chapter 503 of the Acts of 1952 (The Town Manager Act of Arlington) as
2 subsequently amended. Section 15 (‘Powers and Duties of Manager’), paragraph (a) is hereby
3 amended by inserting the words ‘Board of’ before the word ‘Assessors.’

4 Section 2. Said chapter 503 is further amended by appending the following paragraphs to
5 the end of Section 15(a):

6 ‘While the Town Manager shall not supervise the Board of Assessors as an elected body,
7 the Town Manager shall supervise and direct the administration of the Assessors’ Office and
8 appoint the Director of Assessments in accordance with Section 15(c) of this act. The Director of
9 Assessments, and all other Assessors’ Office personnel employed and/or in office when this act
10 becomes effective shall continue in their respective positions subject to the provisions of the

11 chapters thirty-one and/or 150E of the General Laws, if applicable, but otherwise subject to
12 removal by the Town Manager as provided herein.

13 Nothing set forth in this section shall otherwise abridge the authorities or responsibilities
14 of the Board of Assessors as set forth in chapter forty-one or elsewhere within the General
15 Laws.’

16 Section 3. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.