

SENATE No. 231

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Karen E. Spilka

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:

Karen E. Spilka

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Second Middlesex and Norfolk

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By Ms. Spilka, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 231) of Karen E. Spilka for legislation concerning Gateway Municipalities. Economic Development and Emerging Technologies.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 192 OF 2013-2014.]

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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.