

SENATE No. 2145

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Marc R. Pacheco

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 relative to a Wareham Redevelopment Authority.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Marc R. Pacheco

First Plymouth and Bristol

Susan Williams Gifford

2nd Plymouth

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By Mr. Pacheco, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2145) of Marc R. Pacheco and Susan Williams Gifford (by vote of the town) for legislation relative to a Wareham Redevelopment Authority. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to a Wareham Redevelopment Authority.

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 Chapter 270 of the acts of 1977 is hereby repealed.

2 SECTION 2. Chapter 383 of the acts of 2004 is hereby repealed.

3 SECTION 3. (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, there shall
4 be a redevelopment authority in the town of Wareham. The redevelopment authority shall be a
5 public body politic and corporate that shall have the powers and authority of a redevelopment
6 authority under chapter 121B of the General Laws.

7 (b) Notwithstanding chapter 121B of the General Laws, the redevelopment authority of
8 the town of Wareham shall be managed, controlled and governed by a board that shall consist of:

9 (i) 2 members of the board of selectmen of the town, who shall be chosen by the board and who
10 shall each serve for a 1-year term; (ii) the town administrator or a designee, who shall serve for
11 the duration of the town administrator’s employment; (iii) the director of planning and

12 community development, who shall serve for the duration of the director's employment; and (iv)
13 1 registered voter of the town, who shall be selected by the board of selectmen and who shall
14 serve a 3-year term. Three members shall constitute a quorum.

15 (c) The clerk of the town of Wareham shall administer the oath of office to the board
16 members of the redevelopment authority of the town upon the first quorum of the members.
17 Immediately following the administration of the oath, the town clerk shall issue a certification of
18 the oaths to the state secretary. Upon receipt of the certification, the state secretary shall issue a
19 certificate of organization to the authority.

20 SECTION 4. The redevelopment authority of the town of Wareham shall assume the
21 assets and liabilities of the Community and Economic Development Authority established by
22 chapter 270 of the acts of 1977, as amended by chapter 383 of the acts of 2004.

23 SECTION 5. Sections 1, 2 and 4 shall take effect upon the state secretary's issuance of
24 the certification of organization under subsection (c) of section 3.

25 SECTION 6. Except as otherwise specified, this act shall take effect upon its passage.