The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

SENATE, Thursday, March 15, 2018

The committee on Municipalities and Regional Government, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2267) of Joan B. Lovely for legislation relative to PEG access and cable related funds,- reports the accompanying bill (Senate, No. 2341).

For the committee, Michael O. Moore

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An Act relative to PEG access and cable related funds.

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

- SECTION 1. Section 53F³/₄ of chapter 44 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, in line 6, after the word "municipality" the
- 3 following:- ". A municipality may also direct payment of franchise related fees by a cable
- 4 operator to a designated PEG Access provider of their choosing.".
- 5 SECTION 2. Said section 53F³/₄, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking
- out, in line 7, the word "appropriated" and inserting in place thereof the word "expended".
- 7 SECTION 3. Chapter 352 of the Acts of 2014 shall be amended by adding at the end
- 8 thereof the following new section: "SECTION 3. This section shall take effect on July 1, 2019."