

HOUSE No. 4101

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mindy Domb and Joanne M. Comerford

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 establishing the appointed office of town clerk in the town of Pelham.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Mindy Domb</i> | <i>3rd Hampshire</i> | <i>9/23/2019</i> |
| <i>Joanne M. Comerford</i> | <i>Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester</i> | <i>9/23/2019</i> |

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By Representative Domb of Amherst and Senator Comerford, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4101) of Mindy Domb and Joanne M. Comerford (by vote of the town) relative to establishing the appointed office of town clerk in the town of Pelham. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act establishing the appointed office of town clerk in the town of Pelham.

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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, there shall be
2 established in the town of Pelham the appointed position of town clerk. The town clerk shall be
3 appointed and may be removed by the board of selectmen of the town of Pelham, and shall serve
4 at the pleasure of the board of selectmen. The town clerk shall have all the powers and duties and
5 be subject to the liabilities and penalties imposed by law on town clerks.

6 SECTION 2. Upon the effective date of this act, the elected office of town clerk shall be
7 abolished and the term of the elected incumbent terminated; provided , however, that the
8 incumbent holding the office of town clerk on the effective date of this act shall become the first
9 appointed town clerk, and shall serve in that capacity for a period of time equivalent to the
10 remainder of the incumbent 's elected term or until the position is otherwise vacated, whichever
11 occurs first. Thereafter, appointments to the position of town clerk shall be made in accordance
12 with section 1.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.