

SENATE No. 2219

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 authorizing the appointing authority of the town of Bridgewater to appoint police cadets under certain circumstances to the police department of said town.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Marc R. Pacheco

First Plymouth and Bristol

Angelo L. D'Emilia

8th Plymouth

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By Mr. Pacheco, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2219) of Marc R. Pacheco and Angelo L. D'Emilia (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the appointing authority of the town of Bridgewater to appoint police cadets under certain circumstances to the police department of said town. Public Service. [Local Approval Received.]

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

An Act authorizing the appointing authority of the town of Bridgewater to appoint police cadets under certain circumstances to the police department of said town.

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 the provisions of chapter thirty-one of the General Laws,
2 any person who has complete not less than one year of service as a police cadet in the police
3 department of the town of Bridgewater under the provisions of section twenty-one A of chapter
4 one hundred and forty-seven of the General Laws may, subject to a program established by the
5 appointing authority of said town be appointed to fill a vacancy in a position in the lowest grade
6 in the police force of said town, without certification from an eligible list prepared under the
7 provisions of chapter thirty-one of the General Laws; Such program shall include provisions for
8 recruitment of applicants for appointment as police cadets in said town and for appointment from
9 an eligible list prepared after a competitive examination administered under the supervision of
10 the appointing authority of the town.

11 SECTION 2. Not more than thirty-three and one-third percent of the total number of
12 appointments to the regular police force of the town of Bridgewater in any calendar year shall be
13 made under the provisions of this act. The appointing authority of said town shall report in
14 writing to the personnel administrator in said division of personnel administration any
15 appointment made under the provisions of this act.

16 SECTION 3. The appointment authority of the police department of the town of
17 Bridgewater shall institute appropriate recruitment procedures for such police cadet force in
18 order to effectuate the purposes and, to the extent practicable, shall be consistent with the
19 provisions of section twenty-six of chapter thirty-one of the General Laws and consistent with
20 basic merit principles and which realize the purposes of this paragraph.

21 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect on January 1, 2019.