

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2502**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Paul McMurtry***

*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 local law enforcement continuity.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/19/2021</i>

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By Mr. McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2502) of Paul McMurtry relative to the authority of police officers of the city of Boston and the town of Dedham. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2105 OF 2019-2020.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act relative to local law enforcement continuity.

*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. A duly sworn officer of the Town of Dedham, who is authorized to exercise  
2 police powers within said town, may exercise all such police powers within 500 yards into the  
3 corporate limits of the City of Boston, as if such officer were a duly sworn officer of said city.

4           SECTION 2. A duly sworn officer of the City of Boston, who is authorized to exercise  
5 police powers within said city, may exercise all such police powers within 500 yards into the  
6 corporate limits of the Town of Dedham, as if such officer were a duly sworn officer of said  
7 town.

8           SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by the City of Boston, in the  
9 manner provided by law and upon its acceptance in the Town of Dedham by a majority vote of  
10 the board of selectmen.