

HOUSE No. 526

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul W. Mark

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 updating gateway municipalities.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Paul W. Mark</i> | <i>2nd Berkshire</i> | <i>2/10/2021</i> |
| <i>Paul A. Schmid, III</i> | <i>8th Bristol</i> | <i>2/25/2021</i> |

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By Mr. Mark of Peru, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 526) of Paul W. Mark and Paul A. Schmid, III relative to the definition of gateway municipalities. Economic Development and Emerging Technologies.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act updating gateway municipalities.

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

1 Chapter 23A of the General Laws is hereby amended in Section 3A by striking out-

2 "Gateway municipality", a municipality with a population greater than 35,000 and less
3 than 250,000, a median household income below the commonwealth's average and a rate of
4 educational attainment of a bachelor's degree or above that is below the commonwealth's
5 average.

6 and inserting the following-

7 "Gateway municipality", a municipality with a population greater than 35,000 and less
8 than 250,000, or two or more municipalities forming an inter-municipal agreement for this
9 purpose with a combined population greater than 35,000 and less than 250,000, a median
10 household income below the commonwealth's average and a rate of educational attainment of a
11 bachelor's degree or above that is below the commonwealth's average.