

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Tommy Vitolo and Jon Santiago

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 the extension of remote representative town meeting and quorum.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Tommy Vitolo</i> | <i>15th Norfolk</i> | <i>1/14/2022</i> |
| <i>Jon Santiago</i> | <i>9th Suffolk</i> | <i>1/14/2022</i> |
| <i>Edward R. Philips</i> | <i>8th Norfolk</i> | <i>2/9/2022</i> |

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By Messrs. Vitolo of Brookline and Santiago of Boston, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Tommy Vitolo and Jon Santiago for legislation to extend remote representative town meetings. Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to the extension of remote representative town meeting and quorum.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith an extension of the option for remote town meetings, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

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. Subsection (a) of section 7 of chapter 92 of the acts of 2020, as amended by
2 section 8 of chapter 20 of the acts of 2021, is hereby further amended by striking out the words
3 “December 15, 2021” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- December 15, 2022.

4 SECTION 2. Subsection (a) of section 8 of chapter 92 of the acts of 2020, as amended by
5 section 9 of chapter 20 of the acts of 2021, is hereby further amended by striking out the words
6 “December 15, 2021” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- December 15, 2022.

7 SECTION 3. Section 27 of said chapter 20 is hereby amended by striking out the
8 following figure:- 20,.

9 SECTION 4. Section 20 of said chapter 20 is hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. Section 4 shall take effect April 1, 2023.