

SENATE No. 2474

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Patrick M. O'Connor

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 to amend the Cohasset Town Manager Act to change the Cohasset board of selectmen to the "Cohasset select board".

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	
<i>Joan Meschino</i>	<i>3rd Plymouth</i>	<i>7/7/2021</i>

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By Mr. O'Connor, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2474) of Patrick M. O'Connor (by vote of the town) for legislation to amend the Cohasset Town Manager Act of 1997. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local approval received]

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

An Act to amend the Cohasset Town Manager Act to change the Cohasset board of selectmen to the "Cohasset select board".

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. The words "Board of Selectmen" whenever appearing in the Cohasset
2 Town Manager Act (Chapter 34 of the Acts of 1997, as amended by Chapter 421 of the Acts of
3 1998, Chapter 330 of the Acts of 2000 and Chapter 3 of the Acts of 2014, hereinafter referred to
4 as the "Act"), except for the reference in Section 3 of the Act, fourth sentence, to "boards of
5 selectmen", are hereby deleted and those deleted words are to be replaced throughout the Act
6 with the words "Select Board".

7 SECTION 2. As a result of the amendment described in Section 1, the fourth sentence of
8 Section 3 of the Act shall read "The executive powers of the town shall be vested in the Select
9 Board, who shall have all the powers given to boards of selectmen by the General Laws".

10 SECTION 3. The word "selectman" whenever appearing in said Act is hereby deleted
11 and that word is to be replaced throughout the Act with the words "Select Board member."

12 SECTION 4. The word “selectmen”, whenever appearing in said Act, is hereby deleted,
13 and that word is to be replaced throughout the Act with the words “Select Board members”.

14 SECTION 5. With the consent of the Town having already been voted at the Town’s
15 2020 Annual Town Meeting, the use of the words “Board of Selectmen,” “Selectman,” and
16 “selectmen” contained in the General Bylaws or the Town, the Zoning Bylaws of the Town, and
17 all regulations issued by the Town, are hereby comprehensively amended consistent with the
18 provisions of the foregoing sections 1, 2, 3, and 4 above without the necessity of further local
19 action.

20 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.