

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2529**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Cynthia Stone Creem*

*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 expenditure of \$500,000 from town of Brookline Marijuana Mitigation Stabilization Fund for purpose of advancing racial equity in the town of Brookline.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Cynthia Stone Creem</i>	<i>First Middlesex and Norfolk</i>
<i>Tommy Vitolo</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>

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By Ms. Creem, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2529) of Cynthia Stone Creem and Tommy Vitolo (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the expenditure of \$500,000 from town of Brookline Marijuana Mitigation Stabilization Fund for purpose of advancing racial equity in the town of Brookline. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local approval received]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act authorizing the expenditure of \$500,000 from town of Brookline Marijuana Mitigation Stabilization Fund for purpose of advancing racial equity in the town of Brookline.

*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 section 3 of chapter 94G of the General Laws, section 5B  
2 of chapter 40, section 53 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, or any other general or special law  
3 to the contrary, the Town of Brookline is authorized to spend \$500,000 from the Town’s  
4 Marijuana Mitigation Stabilization Fund (consisting of funds derived from Host Community  
5 Agreement mitigation fees from licensed cannabis establishments) for the purpose of supporting  
6 projects, programs and initiatives that advance racial equity and racial justice within the  
7 Brookline community. Such monies shall be expended in conformity with Select Board  
8 regulations and/or such terms as the Select Board may specify.

9           SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.