

SENATE No. 2742

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 eliminating the department of finance and budget in the town of Groveland.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Bruce E. Tarr

First Essex and Middlesex

Lenny Mirra

2nd Essex

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2742) of Bruce E. Tarr and Lenny Mirra (by vote of the town) for legislation to eliminate the department of finance and budget in the town of Groveland. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local approval received]

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

An Act eliminating the department of finance and budget in the town of Groveland.

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. Chapter 60 of the acts of 1998 is hereby repealed

2 SECTION 2. Upon the effective date of this act, the department of finance and budget in
3 the town of Groveland shall be eliminated and the position of finance director shall be abolished
4 and the term of any incumbent thereof terminated. The powers, duties and responsibilities of the
5 finance and budget department shall pass by operation of law to those who would otherwise
6 exercise such authority under the General Laws.

7 SECTION 3. The select board of the town of Groveland shall appoint the offices of town
8 accountant, treasurer-collector and assessors manager, which positions shall have and exercise,
9 respectively all of the powers and duties assigned thereto in the General Laws as well as
10 additional staff that such offices might require, subject to appropriation. Any person serving as,
11 or performing the duties of, such offices, respectively, as of the effective date of this act, shall
12 serve until their successors are appointed and qualified as their sooner vacating of office.

13 SECTION 4. Any person employed in the department of finance and budget who
14 continues in the same full or part-time service to the town shall continue to be paid, subject to
15 appropriation, the salary and benefits they were paid immediately prior to the effective date of
16 this act. Such employees shall be eligible for salary increase in the same manner as all other non-
17 union person. Those departmental employees continuing in the full or part-time service of the
18 town shall not forfeit pay grade or time in service as a result of this repeal.

19 SECTION 5. No contracts or liabilities in force on the effective date of this act shall be
20 affected by elimination of the department of finance and budget and the abolition of the position
21 of finance director. All records, property and equipment whatsoever of the department and the
22 finance director shall pass by operation of law to the appropriate town official.

23 SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon its passage.