

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2947**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Marc R. Pacheco*

*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 amending the Bridgewater town charter relative to precincts and districts.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Marc R. Pacheco*

*First Plymouth and Bristol*

*Angelo L. D'Emilia*

*8th Plymouth*

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By Mr. Pacheco, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2947) of Marc R. Pacheco and Angelo L. D'Emilia (by vote of the town) for legislation to amend the Bridgewater town charter relative to precincts and districts. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local approval received]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

An Act amending the Bridgewater town charter relative to precincts and districts.

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

1           ORDERED, that the Town Council assembled votes to amend the Bridgewater Home  
2 Rule Charter, Article VII, Section 7-4 and to send said amendment to the State Legislature as a  
3 Special Act as follows:

4           Section 7-4. "Districts" shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

5           Section 7-4. "Precincts and Districts"

6           The territory of the town shall be divided into nine (9) precincts ("Precincts") as  
7 specifically illustrated on the attached Precinct map which shall be appended to the Town of  
8 Bridgewater Home Rule Charter. The Town of Bridgewater shall also be divided into three (3)  
9 districts ("Districts"). Each District shall be comprised of three (3) Precincts as illustrated herein  
10 and as established in accordance with the General Laws. Said Districts have been established as  
11 to consist of as nearly an equal number of inhabitants as it is possible to achieve based on

12 compact and contiguous territory, bounded insofar as possible by the center line of known streets  
13 or ways or by other well-defined limits. The Town Council shall from time to time, but at least  
14 once in each ten (10) years, review such Districts to ensure their uniformity in number of  
15 inhabitants. The composition of the three (3) Districts stated herein shall consist of the Precincts  
16 as set forth herein:

17 ROLL-CALL VOTE - REQUIRES MAJORITY OF FULL COUNCIL

18 District 1: Precincts 1, 2 and 7.

19 District 2: Precincts 5, 6 and 8.

20 District 3: Precincts 3, 4 and 9.