

SENATE No. 3022

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 provisions of chapter 177 of the acts of 2020, an act authorizing the transfer of care and control of certain parcels of land in the town of Bridgewater from the department of correction to the department of fire services.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Marc R. Pacheco</i>	<i>First Plymouth and Bristol</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>

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By Mr. Pacheco, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 3022) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marc R. Pacheco and Angelo L. D'Emilia for legislation to further regulate the transfer and control of certain parcels of land in the town of Bridgewater from the Department of Correction to the Department of Fire Services. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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

An Act amending the provisions of chapter 177 of the acts of 2020, an act authorizing the transfer of care and control of certain parcels of land in the town of Bridgewater from the department of correction to the department of fire services.

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

1 Whereas, Section 5 of Chapter 177 of the Acts of 2020 allows the transfer of a 10-foot
2 wide trail easement for non-motorized passive recreational use to the town, at no cost to the
3 town, to be held by the conservation commission for the city known as the town of Bridgewater
4 pursuant to Article 97 of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth, and

5 Whereas, the transfer did not include areas for parking of up to ten cars for those wishing
6 to access each end of the said easement, the location and impact of wetland areas, or the
7 adequate width of an easement to accommodate variable terrain.

8 SECTION 1. Section 5 of Chapter 177 of the Acts of 2020 is amended by striking
9 reference to the "10-foot wide easement" in the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the
10 following text:- "50-foot wide easement."

11 SECTION 2. Section 5 of Chapter 177 of the Acts of 2020 is further amended by
12 inserting after the words “commonwealth boundary” in the second sentence the following
13 language: “ or as agreed by the commissioner of capital asset management, maintenance and the
14 department of corrections, and the city known as the town of Bridgewater.”

15 SECTION 3. Section 5 of Chapter 177 of the Acts of 2020 is amended by inserting after
16 the second sentence the following language:- "Such transfer shall include areas at both the
17 northerly and southerly ends of the said 10-foot wide trail easement sufficient to construct
18 parking areas for up to 10 vehicles, the precise locations of which shall be agreed by the
19 commissioner of capital asset management, maintenance and the department of corrections, and
20 the city known as the town of Bridgewater."