

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3721**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Vanna Howard*

*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 Chapter 230 of the Acts of 1954.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Vanna Howard</i>	<i>17th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/7/2023</i>
<i>Rodney M. Elliott</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/15/2023</i>

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By Representative Howard of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3721) of Vanna Howard and Rodney M. Elliott (with the approval of the city council) that the city of Lowell be authorized to fill vacancies in certain elective bodies in said city. Election Laws. [Local Approval Received.]

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3940 OF 2021-2022.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act amending Chapter 230 of the Acts of 1954.

*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. Following the last sentence of Chapter 230 of the Acts of 1954, that the  
2 following sentence be added: "In the event that no such candidate exists, the vacancy shall be  
3 filled by a joint session of the city council and the school committee through a public application  
4 process."

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