

HOUSE No. 4404

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Susannah M. Whipps and Joanne M. Comerford

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 increasing the town of Northfield Board of Sewer Commissioners from three to five members.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Susannah M. Whipps</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>	<i>2/5/2024</i>
<i>Joanne M. Comerford</i>	<i>Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester</i>	<i>2/6/2024</i>

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By Representative Whipps of Athol and Senator Comerford, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4404) of Susannah M. Whipps and Joanne M. Comerford (by vote of the town) relative to increasing the town of Northfield Board of Sewer Commissioners from three to five members. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act increasing the town of Northfield Board of Sewer Commissioners from three to five members.

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 any general or special law to the contrary, the Board of
2 Sewer Commissioners in the Town of Northfield is increased from 3 to 5 members, with the 2
3 new members to be elected by the voters of the town as provided in Section 2. Upon election and
4 qualification, the new commission members shall have the responsibilities and powers of the
5 present Northfield Board of Sewer Commissioners under applicable law, including, but not
6 limited to chapter 41 and chapter 40N of the General Laws.

7 SECTION 2. At the next annual town election, the Town of Northfield shall hold an
8 election to fill the positions of the 2 vacant members to the sewer commission. Of the 2 vacant
9 positions, 1 shall be elected for a 2-year term and 1 shall be elected for a 3-year term. The terms
10 of office for the 2 new members of the commission shall commence immediately upon
11 qualification and shall expire at the close of the next annual Northfield town election in

12 accordance with the length of the initial terms of office. Upon the expiration of the initial terms
13 of the new positions, each term of each member thereafter elected shall be a 3-year term.

14 SECTION 3. This act shall take place upon its passage.