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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kristin E. Kassner and 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 amending the appointment and election restrictions on finance committee and capital planning members in the town of Newbury.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Kristin E. Kassner	*2nd Essex*	*5/30/2024*
Bruce E. Tarr	*First Essex and Middlesex*	*5/30/2024*

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By Representative Kassner of Hamilton and Senator Tarr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4742) of Kristin E. Kassner and Bruce E. Tarr (by vote of the town) relative to the appointment and election restrictions on finance committee and capital planning members in the town of Newbury. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act amending the appointment and election restrictions on finance committee and capital planning members in the town of Newbury.

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

SECTION 1. Section 5 of Chapter 460 of the Acts of 2008 is hereby amended by deleting said section and replacing it as follows:

A member of the select board, or of the regional school committee, or of the finance committee, during the term for which the member was elected or appointed, shall be ineligible either by election or appointment to hold any other town office. Any other person appointed by the select board or town administrator to a town office under this act or of any general or special law shall be eligible during the term of said office to appointment to any other town office, except that the town accountant shall not be eligible to hold the position of town treasurer or the position of town collector. The town administrator, subject to applicable General Laws relating thereto, may assume the duties of an office which he is authorized to fill by appointment. The first sentence hereof shall not apply to members of the Finance Committee who may be

appointed to serve on the Capital Planning Committee but shall be ineligible either by election or appointment to hold any other town office. At no time shall more than two (2) members of the Finance Committee serve on the Capital Planning Committee.

SECTION 2. Chapter 460 of the Acts of 2008 is hereby amended by adding a new section 21 as follows:

SECTION 21: The term “town office” as used in this Act shall be considered any position either elected by registered voters of the town or appointed by the Newbury select board, town administrator, or other town board or committee who’s jurisdiction extends to the Newbury town limits and is not part of any greater regional or county organization or office.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage by the General Court.