

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4875**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***Kimberly N. Ferguson and Peter J. Durant***

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*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 establishing the appointed office of town clerk in the town of Westminster.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>6/27/2024</i>

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By Representative Ferguson of Holden and Senator Durant, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4875) of Kimberly N. Ferguson (by vote of the town) for legislation to establish the appointed position of town clerk in the town of Westminster. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act establishing the appointed office of town clerk in the town of Westminster.

*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 the provisions of section 1 of chapter 41 of the general  
2 laws or any general or special law to the contrary, there shall be established in the town of  
3 Westminster the appointed position of town clerk. The town clerk shall be appointed by and may  
4 be removed by the select board, and such appointment to be for a term not to exceed three years.  
5 The town clerk shall have all the powers and duties and be subject to the liabilities and penalties  
6 imposed by law on town clerks.

7           SECTION 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of section I above, any incumbent, in the  
8 office of the town clerk upon the effective date of this act shall continue to hold said office and  
9 to perform the duties thereof until the appointment of a town clerk to perform said duties  
10 pursuant to the terms of this act, unless he or she sooner vacates such office. Thereafter,  
11 appointments to the position of town clerk shall be made in accordance with Section 1.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.