

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3810**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Paul W. Mark*

*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 dissolving the Hampshire County Regional Housing Authority and incorporating its functions into the Northampton Housing Authority.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>1/20/2023</i>
<i>Paul W. Mark</i>	<i>Berkshire, Hampden, Franklin and Hampshire</i>	<i>1/20/2023</i>

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By Representative Sabadosa of Northampton and Senator Mark, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 9) of Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Paul W. Mark relative to dissolving the Hampshire County Regional Housing Authority and incorporating its functions into the Northampton Housing Authority. Housing.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act dissolving the Hampshire County Regional Housing Authority and incorporating its functions into the Northampton Housing Authority.

*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 section 3A of chapter 121B of the General Laws or any  
2 other general or special law, rule or regulation to the contrary, the Hampshire county regional  
3 housing authority, established by chapter 419 of the acts of 1976, shall be dissolved and shall not  
4 be continued as a body corporate after the effective date of this act. All of the Hampshire county  
5 regional housing authority property, monies and personal and real property interests, powers and  
6 obligations shall be transferred to the Northampton housing authority. No approval from the  
7 department of housing and community development or any other state agency shall be necessary  
8 to effect the same.

9 SECTION 2. (a) Upon the effective date of this act, the following land of the Hampshire  
10 county regional housing authority shall be transferred and conveyed, and shall be vested in, the  
11 Northampton housing authority:

12 (i) in the town of Cummington; the land described in deeds to the Hampshire county  
13 regional housing authority dated July 22, 1980 and recorded in the Hampshire district registry of  
14 deeds in book 02172 , page 339; October 8, 1981 and recorded in the Hampshire district registry  
15 of deeds in Book 02247, page 340; October 8, 1981 and recorded in the Hampshire district  
16 registry of deeds in book 02247, page 341; and May 22, 2003 and recorded in the Hampshire  
17 district registry of deeds in book 07210 page 306, and the property known as Hillside Terrace,  
18 located at 37 Main street, Cummington; and

19 (ii) in the town of Huntington; the land described in deeds to the Hampshire county  
20 regional housing authority dated July 28, 1980 and recorded in the Hampshire district registry of  
21 deeds in book 02173, page 214; September 17, 1981 and recorded in the Hampshire district  
22 registry of deeds in book 02244, page 304; September 17, 1981 and recorded in the Hampshire  
23 district registry of deeds in book 02244 page 305; October 1, 1981 and recorded in the  
24 Hampshire district registry of deeds in book 02247 page 20; December 8, 1982 and recorded in  
25 the Hampshire district registry of deeds in book 02316 page 313; April 11, 1986 and recorded in  
26 the Hampshire district registry of deeds in book 02702 page 311; October 16, 2008 and recorded  
27 in the Hampshire district registry of deeds in book 09620 page 271; and October 16, 2008 and  
28 recorded in the Hampshire district registry of deeds in book 09620 page 277, the properties  
29 known as Hamblin Court located at 23 East Main street, the houses located at 12 East Main street  
30 and 20 Pine street, Huntington.

31 (b) The Northampton housing authority may execute and deliver a certificate in a form  
32 suitable for recording referencing the passage of this act along with a copy of said act and the  
33 register of deeds for Hampshire county shall accept the same for recording and make a marginal  
34 reference thereto upon the record of all applicable deeds for real property heretofore owned by

35 the Hampshire regional housing authority, as provided in summary format by the Northampton  
36 housing authority. The land court shall also accept said certificate and a copy of this act for the  
37 purposes of issuing a certificate of title to the Northampton housing authority for any registered  
38 land heretofore owned by the Hampshire regional housing authority.

39 SECTION 3. All members of the Hampshire county regional housing authority  
40 immediately prior to the effective date of this act shall immediately transfer all files, legal and  
41 financial records or other materials belonging to the Hampshire county regional housing  
42 authority to the Northampton housing authority. Such files, records and materials shall include  
43 any such items held by consultants or legal counsel on behalf of the Hampshire county regional  
44 housing authority, without reservation.

45 SECTION 4. If any provision of this act conflicts with any provisions of any general or  
46 special law, state agency regulations or guidelines, the provisions of this act shall govern.