

HOUSE No. 4888

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

F. Jay Barrows and Paul R. Feeney

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 relative to amending certain use restrictions for the Foxborough State Hospital.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>	<i>7/2/2024</i>
<i>Paul R. Feeney</i>	<i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>	<i>7/11/2024</i>

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By Representative Barrows of Mansfield and Senator Feeney, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of F. Jay Barrows and Paul R. Feeney that the commissioner of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance be authorized to further regulate use restrictions on certain state owned property in the town of Foxborough. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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

An Act relative to amending certain use restrictions for the Foxborough State Hospital.

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. (a) Notwithstanding section 5A of chapter 3 of the General Laws, sections 32
2 to 37, inclusive, of chapter 7C of the General Laws, chapter 312 of the acts of 1996 and any
3 other general or special law to the contrary, the commissioner of capital asset management and
4 maintenance may release or amend certain use restrictions held by the commonwealth for
5 municipal recreational purposes and public safety and other municipal building purposes on all
6 or a portion of parcels known as H-1 and H-2 on Payson road in the town of Foxborough. The
7 use restrictions are described in deeds from the commonwealth to the town of Foxborough
8 recorded in the Norfolk registry of deeds in book 20013, page 470 and book 13416, page 205.
9 Parcels H-1 and H-2 are shown on a plan entitled, “Approval Not Required Subdivision Plan”,
10 prepared for Foxborough State Hospital, Foxborough, MA, dated December 10, 1998 and
11 prepared by Rizzo Associates Inc., recorded in the Norfolk registry of deeds in plan book 465,
12 page 256. The consideration for the release or amendment of said use restrictions shall be a use

13 restriction for housing purposes, which may include, without limitation, market rate housing and
14 senior housing purposes; provided, that the town of Foxborough may subsequently convey all or
15 a portion of said parcels to a third party for housing purposes.

16 (b) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the town of Foxborough
17 shall be responsible for all costs and expenses of any transaction authorized by this section as
18 determined by the commissioner of capital asset management and maintenance including, but not
19 limited to, the costs of any engineering, surveys, appraisals, title examinations and recording
20 fees.