

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David Allen Robertson and Colleen M. Garry

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 mitigating MBTA Communities funding impact for First Responders and Education.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>11/18/2024</i>
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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act mitigating MBTA Communities funding impact for First Responders and Education.

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 3A of chapter 40A of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 9
2 of chapter 150 of the acts of 2024, is hereby further amended by adding the following
3 subsection:-

4 (d) Notwithstanding subsection (b) or any other general or special law to the contrary, no
5 department or agency of the commonwealth shall, pursuant to this section or any other general or
6 special law, withhold funding or grant opportunities for which the MBTA community is
7 otherwise eligible for failure to comply with this section, if the funding or grant may lawfully be
8 used by the MBTA community for public safety or public education purposes, as determined by
9 the department or agency responsible for determining the funding or grant eligibility.