

HOUSE No. 1424

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Antonio F. D. Cabral

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 higher education capital investment in gateway cities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Antonio F. D. Cabral</i>	<i>13th Bristol</i>	<i>1/8/2025</i>

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By Representative Cabral of New Bedford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1424) of Antonio F. D. Cabral relative to higher education capital investments in gateway municipalities or abutting municipalities. Higher Education.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**

An Act relative to higher education capital investment in gateway cities.

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

1 Chapter 258, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting
2 the following after section 14: -

3 Section 15. Notwithstanding any special or general law to the contrary, the authorizations
4 contained in this chapter may not be used to fund projects that fail to meet one of the following
5 criteria: (a) construction of the project began prior to July 1, 2021; (b) the project is not located
6 in a municipality that is or is adjacent to a gateway municipality, as defined by section 3A of
7 chapter 23A of the General Laws, or (c) the project is located within a gateway municipality, as
8 so defined, is within 2000 feet of such municipality’s city hall and is or will be within 500 feet
9 of public transportation upon completion of the project.