

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4057**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Andres X. Vargas*

*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 to authorize the mayor of the city of Haverhill to submit special legislation to increase the membership of the board of health from three members to five members.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Andres X. Vargas</i>	<i>3rd Essex</i>	<i>4/15/2025</i>

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By Representative Vargas of Haverhill, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4057) of Andres X. Vargas (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Haverhill be authorized to increase the membership of the board of health in said city from three members to five members. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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

An Act to authorize the mayor of the city of Haverhill to submit special legislation to increase the membership of the board of health from three members to five members.

*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 26 of chapter 111 of the General Laws, the city of  
2 Haverhill may be authorized to increase the membership of the board of health from three (3)  
3 members to five (5) members. Said members shall be appointed by the mayor with the approval  
4 of the city council.

5 SECTION 2. During the month of January, annually following the effective date of this  
6 act, the mayor shall appoint one member of the board of health for a term of three years to serve  
7 from the first Monday of the following February. The mayor shall appoint a second member of  
8 the board of health for a term of two years to serve from the First Monday of the following  
9 February. Thereafter, as the terms of the board of health expire, successors shall be appointed for  
10 terms of 3 years.

11           SECTION 3. That the general court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only  
12 to the bill, unless the mayor approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the general  
13 court and provided further that the mayor is hereby authorized to approve amendments which  
14 shall be within the scope of the general public objectives of this petition.

15           SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.