

HOUSE No. 4201

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Shirley B. Arriaga

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 changing the two-year elected term for the Mayor of Chicopee to a four-year elected term.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Shirley B. Arriaga</i>	<i>8th Hampden</i>	<i>5/14/2025</i>

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By Representative Arriaga of Chicopee, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4201) of Shirley B. Arriaga (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to changing the two-year elected term for the office of mayor of in the city of Chicopee to a four-year elected term. Election Laws. [Local Approval Received.]

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

An Act relative to changing the two-year elected term for the Mayor of Chicopee to a four-year elected term.

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. At the next annual municipal election in the City of Chicopee, and at such
2 election in every fourth year thereafter, the mayor shall be elected by the qualified voters of the
3 City voting in their respective precincts. The mayor shall be elected by ballot and shall hold
4 office for four years from the first Monday in January following the election at which they were
5 elected, and until a successor is elected and qualified.

6 SECTION 2. Chapter 144 of the acts of 1917 is hereby repealed.

7 SECTION 3. So much of the charter of said City and of the amendments thereto as is
8 inconsistent herewith is hereby repealed.

9 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its acceptance by a majority of the qualified
10 voters of the City of Chicopee, present and voting therein at the state election in the current year.