

HOUSE No. 5442

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 19, 2026.

The committee on House Ways and Means, to whom was referred the Bill relative to certain affordable housing and cultural space in the Brighton section of the city of Boston (House, No. 4415), reports recommending that the same ought to pass with an amendment substituting therefor the accompanying bill (House, No. 5442) [Local Approval Received].

For the committee,

AARON MICHLEWITZ.

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

An Act relative to certain affordable housing and cultural space in the Brighton section of the city of Boston.

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. Construction and development activity related to redevelopment by the
2 Boston Housing Authority of the Faneuil Gardens site owned by the Boston Housing Authority
3 between Faneuil street and North Beacon street, Boston Parcel ID 2202616000, in the city of
4 Boston and the adjacent parcel at the southeast corner of North Beacon street and Goodenough
5 street, Boston Parcel ID 2202627000, in the Brighton section of the city of Boston, an adjacent
6 parcel, or any part thereof, to create new publicly-assisted, affordable and mixed-income
7 housing, cultural space, replacement musician rehearsal space and complementary uses, shall not
8 be subject to any general or special law related to the procurement and award of contracts for the
9 planning, design, construction management, construction, reconstruction, installation,
10 demolition, maintenance or repair of buildings or public works by a public agency, including
11 chapter 149, chapter 7C or section 39M of chapter 30 of the General Laws, nor shall the
12 acquisition of any interest or disposition of any interest necessary to support the completion of

13 the project be subject to section 16 of chapter 30B but shall be subject to sections 26 to 27H,
14 inclusive, of chapter 149 of the General Laws.

15 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.