

HOUSE No. 5476

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Hadley Luddy and Julian Cyr

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 amending the town charter of the town of Provincetown.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Hadley Luddy</i>	<i>4th Barnstable</i>	<i>6/1/2026</i>

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By Representative Luddy of Orleans and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5476) of Hadley Luddy (by vote of the town) relative to the charter of the town of Provincetown. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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

An Act relative to amending the town charter of the town of Provincetown.

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. Section 3 of chapter 2 of the charter of the town of Provincetown, which is
2 on file in the office of the archivist of the commonwealth, as provided in section 12 of chapter
3 43B of the General Laws, is hereby amended by striking out subsections (g) and (h) and inserting
4 in place thereof the following subsection:-

5 (g) At least 7 days prior to any town meeting, the finance committee shall provide a
6 report detailing their votes on each warrant article concerning the expenditure of town funds. The
7 finance committee report shall be posted on the town website and made available for distribution
8 in the town clerk's office at the town hall. Sufficient copies for the expected attendance shall also
9 be made available at the town meeting the day it opens.

10 SECTION 2. Subsection (b) of section 1 of chapter 5 of said charter is hereby amended
11 by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- Non-
12 regulatory appointed town boards may also be created, combined, dissolved or reorganized by a

13 majority vote of the select board, unless otherwise prohibited by law or this charter, but such
14 boards shall be ad hoc or temporary advisory boards, unless and until ratified by a majority vote
15 of town meeting.

16 SECTION 3. Subsection (b) of section 4 of said chapter 5 of said charter is hereby
17 amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:-
18 A paid town employee may not be a member of any regulatory board or any town board that
19 oversees matters in any way related to their employment, during the time of their employment.

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