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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Joseph D. McKenna and Ryan C. Fattman

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 changing the board of selectmen in the town of Oxford to select board.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Joseph D. McKenna	*18th Worcester*	*10/21/2026*
Ryan C. Fattman	*Worcester and Hampden*	*10/21/2026*

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By Representative McKenna of Sutton and Senator Fattman, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5702) of Joseph D. McKenna and Ryan C. Fattman (by vote of the town) that the town of Oxford be authorized to change the name of the board of selectmen to select board. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act changing the board of selectmen in the town of Oxford to select board.

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

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the executive body of the town of Oxford, previously known as the board of selectmen, shall be known as the select board and shall have the powers and authority of a board of selectmen under any general or special law. The members of the select board, previously known as selectmen, shall be known as select board members and the chair of the select board, previously known as the chairman, shall be known as the chair.

SECTION 2. Notwithstanding sections 21 and 32 of chapter 40 of the General Laws, section 5 of chapter 40A of the General Laws or any general or special law to the contrary, the select board of the town of Oxford may amend the general by-laws and zoning by-laws of the town by majority vote to revise all references to the board of selectmen, its members and its chairman to select board, select board members and chair of the select board, respectively, in accordance with this act.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.