

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 804**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Natalie M. Blais*

*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 gender neutral language in elections law.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Natalie M. Blais</i>	<i>1st Franklin</i>	<i>1/16/2025</i>
<i>Mindy Domb</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>	<i>1/25/2025</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>	<i>3/3/2025</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>	<i>3/7/2025</i>
<i>Robyn K. Kennedy</i>	<i>First Worcester</i>	<i>3/7/2025</i>
<i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i>	<i>2nd Berkshire</i>	<i>4/10/2025</i>
<i>Vanna Howard</i>	<i>17th Middlesex</i>	<i>4/10/2025</i>
<i>Michelle L. Badger</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>4/24/2025</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>5/20/2025</i>
<i>Amy Mah Sangiolo</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	<i>7/1/2025</i>

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By Representative Blais of Deerfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 804) of  
Natalie M. Blais and others relative to gender-neutral language in elections laws. Election Laws.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 660 OF 2023-2024.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act relative to gender neutral language in elections law.

*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 53 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 3, the word “him” and inserting in  
3 place thereof the following word: - them.

4 SECTION 2. Section 3 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking  
5 out, in, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 10, the word “him” and  
6 inserting in place thereof the following word: - them.

7 SECTION 3. Section 3 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking  
8 out, in line 20, the word “his” and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

9 SECTION 4. Section 6 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking  
10 out, in line 40, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: - they are.

11 SECTION 5. Section 6 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking  
12 out, in line 44, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

13 SECTION 6. Section 7 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking  
14 out, in line 3, the words "he or she is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: - they  
15 are.

16 SECTION 7. Section 7 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking  
17 out, in line 5, the words "his or her" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

18 SECTION 8. Section 7 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking  
19 out, in line 20, the word "he" and inserting in place thereof the following words: - the candidate.

20 SECTION 9. Section 7 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking  
21 out, in line 73, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

22 SECTION 10. Section 7 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
23 striking out, in line 74, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

24 SECTION 11. Section 7 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
25 striking out, in line 75, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

26 SECTION 12. Section 8 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
27 striking out, in line 3, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

28 SECTION 13. Section 8 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
29 striking out, in line 4, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: - they  
30 are.

31 SECTION 14. Section 8 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
32 striking out, in line 6, the words “he represents” and inserting in place thereof the following  
33 words: - they represent.

34 SECTION 15. Section 8 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
35 striking out, in line 22, the word “chairmen” and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
36 chairpersons.

37 SECTION 16. Section 8 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
38 striking out, in line 26, the word “alderman” and inserting in place thereof the following word. -  
39 alderperson.

40 SECTION 17. Section 9 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
41 striking out, in line 2, the word “he” and inserting in place thereof the following words: - the  
42 secretary.

43 SECTION 18. Section 9A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
44 striking out, in line 10, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

45 SECTION 19. Section 9A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
46 striking out, in line 11, the words "he intends" and inserting in place thereof the following words:  
47 - they intend.

48 SECTION 20. Section 9A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
49 striking out, in line 15, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

50 SECTION 21. Section 13 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
51 striking out, in line 2, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

52 SECTION 22. Section 13 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
53 striking out, in line 3, the word "him" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - them.

54 SECTION 23. Section 13 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
55 striking out, in line 8, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

56 SECTION 24. Section 13 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
57 striking out, in line 15, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

58 SECTION 25. Section 14 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
59 striking out, in line 2, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

60 SECTION 26. Section 14 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
61 striking out, in line 30, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
62 chairperson.

63 SECTION 27. Section 14 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
64 striking out, in line 31, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
65 chairperson.

66 SECTION 28. Section 15 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
67 striking out, in line 4, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

68 SECTION 29. Section 15 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
69 striking out, in line 6, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
70 chairperson.

71 SECTION 30. Section 17 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
72 striking out, in line 3, the word "he" and inserting in place thereof the following words: - the  
73 secretary.

74 SECTION 31. Section 17 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
75 striking out, in line 7, the word "He" and inserting in place thereof the following words: - The  
76 state secretary.

77 SECTION 32. Section 17 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
78 striking out, in line 16, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

79 SECTION 33. Section 17A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
80 striking out, in line 1, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
81 chairperson.

82 SECTION 34. Section 17A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
83 striking out, in line 3, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
84 chairperson.

85 SECTION 35. Section 17A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
86 striking out, in line 13, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
87 chairperson.

88 SECTION 36. Section 17A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
89 striking out, in line 28, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

90 SECTION 37. Section 17A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
91 striking out, in line 29, the words “he was” and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
92 they were.

93 SECTION 38. Section 18A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
94 inserting after the word “selectmen,” in line 5, the words: - or select board.

95 SECTION 39. Section 18A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
96 inserting after the word “selectmen,” in line 10, the words: - or select board.

97 SECTION 40. Section 18B of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
98 inserting after the word “selectmen,” in line 5, the words: - or select board.

99 SECTION 41. Section 28 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
100 inserting after the word “selectmen,” in line 31, the words: - or select board.

101 SECTION 42. Section 29 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
102 striking out, in line 4, the word “he” and inserting in place thereof the following word: - they.

103 SECTION 43. Section 29 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
104 striking out, in lines 8 and 9, the words “aldermen or selectmen” and inserting in place thereof  
105 the following words: - aldermen, alderpersons, selectmen or select board.

106 SECTION 44. Section 31 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
107 striking out, in line 2, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: - they  
108 are.

109 SECTION 45. Section 34 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
110 striking out, in line 31, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

111 SECTION 46. Section 34 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
112 striking out, in line 48, the words "he was" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
113 they were.

114 SECTION 47. Section 34 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
115 striking out, in line 53, the words "he holds or has held" and inserting in place thereof the  
116 following words: - they hold or have held.

117 SECTION 48. Section 34 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
118 striking out, in line 54, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
119 they are.

120 SECTION 49. Section 34 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
121 striking out, in line 55, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
122 they are.

123 SECTION 50. Section 34 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
124 striking out, in line 55, the words "he seeks" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
125 they seek.

126 SECTION 51. Section 34 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
127 striking out, in line 56, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
128 they are.

129 SECTION 52. Section 34 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
130 striking out, in line 57, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
131 they are.

132 SECTION 53. Section 34A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
133 striking out, in line 2, the word "he" and inserting in place thereof the following words: - the  
134 secretary.

135 SECTION 54. Section 34A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
136 striking out, in line 14, the word "him" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - them.

137 SECTION 55. Section 34A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
138 striking out, in line 16, the words "he desires" and inserting in place thereof the following words:  
139 - they desire.

140 SECTION 56. Section 35 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
141 striking out, in line 4, the words "he intends" and inserting in place thereof the following words:  
142 - they intend.

143 SECTION 57. Section 35 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
144 striking out, in line 9, the words "he intends" and inserting in place thereof the following words:  
145 - they intend.

146 SECTION 58. Section 35 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
147 striking out, in line 10, the words "he votes" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
148 they vote.

149 SECTION 59. Section 35 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
150 striking out, in line 11, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

151 SECTION 60. Section 37 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
152 striking out, in line 5, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

153 SECTION 61. Section 37 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
154 striking out, in line 6, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

155 SECTION 62. Section 37 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
156 striking out, in line 9, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: - they  
157 are.

158 SECTION 63. Section 37 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
159 striking out, in line 16, the word "he" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - they.

160 SECTION 64. Section 37 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
161 striking out, in line 18, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

162 SECTION 65. Section 37 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
163 striking out, in line 19, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

164 SECTION 66. Section 37 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
165 striking out, in line 21, the word "he" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - the  
166 officer.

167 SECTION 67. Section 37 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
168 striking out, in line 41, the words "his enrolment" and inserting in place thereof the following  
169 words: - their enrollment.

170 SECTION 68. Section 37A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
171 striking out, in line 2, the word "he" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

172 SECTION 69. Section 37A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
173 striking out, in line 3, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: - they  
174 are.

175 SECTION 70. Section 37A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
176 striking out, in line 4, the words "he desires" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
177 they desire.

178 SECTION 71. Section 37A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
179 striking out, in line 12, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

180 SECTION 72. Section 37A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
181 striking out, in line 12, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
182 they are.

183 SECTION 73. Section 37A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
184 striking out, in line 15, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

185 SECTION 74. Section 37A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
186 striking out, in line 16, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
187 they are.

188 SECTION 75. Section 37A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
189 striking out, in line 17, the word "he" and inserting in place thereof the following words - they.

190 SECTION 76. Section 38 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
191 striking out, in line 3, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: - they  
192 are.

193 SECTION 77. Section 38 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
194 striking out, in line 7, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

195 SECTION 78. Section 38 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
196 striking out, in line 9, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

197 SECTION 79. Section 38 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
198 striking out, in line 31, the word "enrolment" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
199 enrollment.

200 SECTION 80. Section 38 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
201 striking out, in line 31, the word "him" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - them.

202 SECTION 81. Section 38 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
203 striking out, in line 33, the word "he" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - they.

204 SECTION 82. Section 40 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
205 striking out, in line 4, the words "he receives" and inserting in place thereof the following words:  
206 - they receive.

207 SECTION 83. Section 40 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
208 striking out, in line 5, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

209 SECTION 84. Section 42 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
210 striking out, in line 1, the words "aldermen or selectmen" and inserting in place thereof the  
211 following words: - aldermen, alderpersons, selectmen or select board.

212 SECTION 85. Section 43 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
213 inserting after the word "aldermen" in line 2, the word: - , alderpersons.

214 SECTION 86. Section 44 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
215 striking out, in line 22, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

216 SECTION 87. Section 45 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
217 striking out, in line 2, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

218 SECTION 88. Section 45 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
219 striking out, in line 3, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: - they  
220 are.

221 SECTION 89. Section 45 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
222 striking out, in line 4, the words "he seeks" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
223 they seek.

224 SECTION 90. Section 45 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
225 striking out, in line 10, the words "he holds or has" and inserting in place thereof the following  
226 words: - they hold or have.

227 SECTION 91. Section 45 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
228 striking out, in line 11, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
229 they are.

230 SECTION 92. Section 45 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
231 striking out, in line 12, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
232 they are.

233 SECTION 93. Section 45 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
234 striking out, in line 12, the words “he seeks” and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
235 they seek.

236 SECTION 94. Section 45 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
237 striking out, in line 13, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
238 they are.

239 SECTION 95. Section 45 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
240 striking out, in line 13, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
241 they are.

242 SECTION 96. Section 46 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
243 striking out, in line 41, the words “he seeks” and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
244 they seek.

245 SECTION 97. Section 48 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
246 striking out, in line 31, the words “he has” and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
247 they have.

248 SECTION 98. Section 48 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
249 striking out, in line 32, “he seeks” and replace with “they seek”

250 SECTION 99. Section 48 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
251 striking out, in line 37, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

252 SECTION 100. Section 49 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
253 striking out, in line 2, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

254 SECTION 101. Section 53A of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
255 striking out, in line 5, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

256 SECTION 102. Section 58 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
257 striking out, in line 8, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

258 SECTION 103. Section 59 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
259 striking out, in line 7, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

260 SECTION 104. Section 61 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
261 striking out, in line 22, the words "he seeks" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
262 they seek.

263 SECTION 105. Section 61 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
264 striking out, in line 37, the words "he seeks" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
265 they seek.

266 SECTION 106. Section 62 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
267 striking out, in line 2, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

268 SECTION 107. Section 62 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
269 striking out, in line 11, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
270 chairperson.

271 SECTION 108. Section 62 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
272 striking out, in line 13, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
273 chairperson.

274 SECTION 109. Section 70C of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
275 striking out, in line 3, the words “aldermen or selectmen” and inserting in place thereof the  
276 following words: - aldermen, alderpersons, selectmen or select board.

277 SECTION 110. Section 70D of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
278 striking out, in line 11, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
279 they are.

280 SECTION 111. Section 70E of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
281 striking out, in line 4, the words “he shall” and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
282 they.

283 SECTION 112. Section 70E of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
284 striking out, in line 12, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
285 chairperson.

286 SECTION 113. Section 70E of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
287 striking out, in line 14, the words “he does” and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
288 they do.

289 SECTION 114. Section 70E of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
290 striking out, in line 16, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

291 SECTION 115. Section 70E of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
292 striking out, in line 20, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
293 chairperson.

294 SECTION 116. Section 70E of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
295 striking out, in line 24, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

296 SECTION 117. Section 70E of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
297 striking out, in lines 26 and 27, the words "he does" and inserting in place thereof the following  
298 words: - they do.

299 SECTION 118. Section 70E of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
300 striking out, in line 27, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

301 SECTION 119. Section 70E of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
302 striking out, in line 42, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

303 SECTION 120. Section 70F of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
304 striking out, in line 13, the word "chairmen" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
305 chairpersons.

306 SECTION 121. Section 70F of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
307 striking out, in line 14, the word "chairmen" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
308 chairpersons.

309 SECTION 122. Section 73 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
310 striking out, in line 3, the words "aldermen or selectmen" and inserting in place thereof the  
311 following words: - aldermen, alderpersons, selectmen or select board.

312 SECTION 123. Section 73 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
313 striking out, in line 6, the words "aldermen or selectmen" and inserting in place thereof the  
314 following words: - aldermen, alderpersons, selectmen or select board.

315 SECTION 124. Section 74 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
316 striking out, in line 4, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
317 chairperson.

318 SECTION 125. Section 76 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
319 striking out, in line 6, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

320 SECTION 126. Section 76 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
321 striking out, in line 9, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

322 SECTION 127. Section 76 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
323 striking out, in line 15, the words "he takes" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
324 they take.

325 SECTION 128. Section 76 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
326 striking out, in line 16, the word "him" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - them.

327 SECTION 129. Section 76 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
328 striking out, in line 25, the words "he has" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
329 they have.

330 SECTION 130. Section 77 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
331 striking out, in line 4, the words "he presents" and inserting in place thereof the following words:  
332 - they present.

333 SECTION 131. Section 79 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
334 striking out, in line 4, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

335 SECTION 132. Section 82 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
336 striking out, in line 2, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
337 chairperson.

338 SECTION 133. Section 82 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
339 striking out, in line 3, the words "aldermen or selectmen" and inserting in place thereof the  
340 following words: - aldermen, alderpersons, selectmen or select board.

341 SECTION 134. Section 82 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
342 striking out, in line 4, the words "aldermen or selectmen" and inserting in place thereof the  
343 following words: - aldermen, alderpersons, selectmen or select board.

344 SECTION 135. Section 82 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
345 striking out, in line 7, the words "aldermen or selectmen" and inserting in place thereof the  
346 following words: - aldermen, alderpersons, selectmen or select board.

347 SECTION 136. Section 83 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
348 striking out, in line 1, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
349 chairperson.

350 SECTION 137. Section 83 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
351 striking out, in line 11, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
352 chairperson.

353 SECTION 138. Section 83 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
354 striking out, in line 12, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
355 they are.

356 SECTION 139. Section 83 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
357 striking out, in line 14, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
358 chairperson.

359 SECTION 140. Section 83 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
360 striking out, in line 15, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
361 chairperson.

362 SECTION 141. Section 83 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
363 striking out, in line 17, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
364 they are.

365 SECTION 142. Section 86 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
366 striking out, in line 6, the word "he" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - they.

367 SECTION 143. Section 87 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
368 striking out, in line 9, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
369 chairperson.

370 SECTION 144. Section 87 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
371 striking out, in line 11, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
372 chairperson.

373 SECTION 145. Section 87 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
374 striking out, in line 14, the word "him" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - them.

375 SECTION 146. Section 93 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
376 striking out, in line 2, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
377 chairperson.

378 SECTION 147. Section 93 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
379 striking out, in line 3, the words "aldermen or to the selectmen" and inserting in place thereof the  
380 following words: - aldermen or alderpersons or to the selectmen or select board.

381 SECTION 148. Section 93 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
382 striking out, in line 16, the words "aldermen or selectmen" and inserting in place thereof the  
383 following words: - aldermen, alderpersons, selectmen or select board.

384 SECTION 149. Section 95 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
385 striking out, in line 8, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
386 chairperson.

387 SECTION 150. Section 96 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
388 striking out, in line 8, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

389 SECTION 151. Section 97 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
390 striking out, in line 4, the word "he" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - they.

391 SECTION 152. Section 97 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
392 striking out, in line 5, the word "he" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - they.

393 SECTION 153. Section 97 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
394 striking out, in line 6, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

395 SECTION 154. Section 99 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
396 striking out, in line 4, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
397 chairperson.

398 SECTION 155. Section 99 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
399 striking out, in line 14, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
400 chairperson.

401 SECTION 156. Section 100 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
402 striking out, in line 4, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
403 chairperson.

404 SECTION 157. Section 100 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
405 striking out, in line 7, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
406 chairperson.

407 SECTION 158. Section 101 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
408 striking out, in line 3, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

409 SECTION 159. Section 101 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
410 striking out, in line 4, the word "him" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - them.

411 SECTION 160. Section 101 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
412 striking out, in line 11, the word "himself" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
413 themselves.

414 SECTION 161. Section 101 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
415 striking out, in line 11, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
416 chairperson.

417 SECTION 162. Section 101 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
418 striking out, in line 14, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
419 chairperson.

420 SECTION 163. Section 105 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
421 striking out, in line 5, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
422 chairperson.

423 SECTION 164. Section 106 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
424 striking out, in line 12, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

425 SECTION 165. Section 109 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
426 striking out, in line 2, the words "he takes" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
427 they take.

428 SECTION 166. Section 109 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
429 striking out, in line 3, the word "him" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - them.

430 SECTION 167. Section 109 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
431 striking out, in lines 3 and 4, the words "in his" and inserting in place thereof the following  
432 words: - on their.

433 SECTION 168. Section 109 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
434 striking out, in line 4, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

435 SECTION 169. Section 110 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
436 striking out, in line 11, the word "He" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - They.

437 SECTION 170. Section 110 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
438 striking out, in line 23, the word "he" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - they.

439 SECTION 171. Section 113 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
440 striking out, in line 11, the words "he is" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
441 they are.

442 SECTION 172. Section 113 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
443 striking out, in line 13, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

444 SECTION 173. Section 113 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
445 striking out, in line 14, the word "He" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - They.

446 SECTION 174. Section 118 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
447 striking out, in line 10, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
448 chairperson.

449 SECTION 175. Section 118 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
450 striking out, in line 11, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

451 SECTION 176. Section 118 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
452 striking out, in line 11, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
453 chairperson.

454 SECTION 177. Section 118 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
455 striking out, in line 13, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
456 chairperson.

457 SECTION 178. Section 119 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
458 striking out, in line 6, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
459 chairperson.

460 SECTION 179. Section 121 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
461 inserting after the word "selectmen," in line 7, the words: - or select board.

462 SECTION 180. Section 121 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
463 striking out, in line 10, the word "chairman" and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
464 chairperson.

465 SECTION 181. Section 121 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
466 striking out, in line 30, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

467 SECTION 182. Section 121 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
468 striking out, in line 36, the word "he" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - they.

469 SECTION 183. Section 122 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
470 striking out, in line 4, the words "he resides" and inserting in place thereof the following words: -  
471 they reside.

472 SECTION 184. Section 122 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
473 striking out, in line 5, the word "his" and inserting in place thereof the following word: - their.

474 SECTION 185. Section 122 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
475 striking out, in line 6, the words “he shall” and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
476 they.

477 SECTION 186. Section 122 of said chapter 53, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
478 striking out, in line 9, the words “he resides” and inserting in place thereof the following word: -  
479 they reside.