

**HOUSE . . . . . No.****The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Kip A. Diggs***

*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 firefighter residency.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kip A. Diggs</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>	<i>1/15/2025</i>
<i>Marcus S. Vaughn</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/23/2025</i>
<i>John J. Marsi</i>	<i>6th Worcester</i>	<i>1/23/2025</i>
<i>Christopher Richard Flanagan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	<i>1/23/2025</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>	<i>1/23/2025</i>
<i>Steven George Xiarhos</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>	<i>1/23/2025</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/23/2025</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>	<i>1/23/2025</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/23/2025</i>
<i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/23/2025</i>
<i>Dennis C. Gallagher</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/23/2025</i>
<i>Rodney M. Elliott</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/23/2025</i>
<i>Michael J. Soter</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>	<i>1/23/2025</i>
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/23/2025</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>	<i>1/24/2025</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/24/2025</i>
<i>Mark D. Sylvia</i>	<i>10th Bristol</i>	<i>1/30/2025</i>
<i>Danillo A. Sena</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2025</i>

<i>Erika Uyterhoeven</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2025</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>1/30/2025</i>

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)  
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An Act relative to firefighter residency.

*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 99A of chapter 41 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition,  
2   is hereby amended by striking the section in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the  
3   following section:-

4           Section 99A. Any member of the regular police or fire department and fire alarm division  
5   of a city or town appointed subsequent to August first, nineteen hundred and seventy eight who  
6   is not subject to chapter 31 shall reside within fifteen miles of the limits of said city or town. Said  
7   distance shall be measured from the closest border limits of said city or town in which said  
8   member is employed to the closest border limits of the city or town in which said member lives;  
9   provided, however, a city or town may increase the fifteen mile residency limit under a collective  
10   bargaining agreement negotiated in accordance with chapter 150E.