

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kenneth I. Gordon

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 town meeting accessibility.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>	<i>1/29/2026</i>

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

An Act relative to town meeting accessibility.

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 12 of Chapter 686 of the Acts of 1970 is hereby amended by adding the
- 2 following new paragraph -
 - 3 (h) The Town Meeting shall be accessible by those Town Meeting Members who wish to
 - 4 attend, either in person or remotely via a video conferencing platform, with a maximum of
 - 5 fifteen (15) members attending remotely. This communications platform will allow users to
 - 6 connect using an internet connection and a supported device. Members of these meetings shall be
 - 7 able to be recognized by the Moderator or Chair, and their vote, where applicable, be recorded
 - 8 via the electronic communications platform.