

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Todd M. Smola

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 authorizing the town of Ware to waive certain maximum age requirements for appointments to the police and fire departments.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>	<i>6/26/2026</i>
<i>Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>	<i>6/30/2026</i>
<i>Peter J. Durant</i>	<i>Worcester and Hampshire</i>	<i>6/29/2026</i>

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

An Act authorizing the town of Ware to waive certain maximum age requirements for appointments to the police and fire departments.

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. Notwithstanding section 58A of chapter 31 of the General Laws or any
2 other
3 general or special law to the contrary, the town of Ware may appoint a person as a
4 permanent
5 full-time member of the police department or fire department regardless of any maximum
6 age
7 limitation otherwise applicable under said section 58A, so long as the person meets all
8 other civil
9 service law requirements.

10 SECTION 2. The authority granted under this act may be exercised by vote of the
11 selectboard,

12 town council, or other appointing authority of the town of Ware, consistent with the form
13 of
14 government of the town.