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HOUSE . . . . . No. 805

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Christopher N. Speranzo

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 further regulating the Community Preservation Act.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Christopher N. Speranzo	*3rd Berkshire*

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By Mr. Speranzo of Pittsfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 805) of Christopher N. Speranzo for legislation to authorize cities and towns to establish separate community preservation fund accounts. Revenue.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. *2912* OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act further regulating the Community Preservation Act.

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. Section 7 of said chapter 44B, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the first paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 53 of chapter 44 or any other general or special law to the contrary, a city or town that accepts sections 3 to 7, inclusive, shall establish a separate account to be known as the Community Preservation Fund of which the municipal treasurer shall be the custodian. In a town form of government, the authority to approve expenditures from the fund shall be limited to the legislative body and the municipal treasurer shall pay such expenses in accordance with chapter 41. In a city form of government, the authority to approve expenditures from the fund shall be limited to the legislative body with the concurrence of the mayor and the municipal treasurer shall pay such expenses in accordance with chapter 41.