

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1873**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Stephen M. Brewer*

*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 providing for the appointment of a treasurer-collector in the town of Barre.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Stephen M. Brewer*

*Anne M. Gobi*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire, Franklin*

*5th Worcester*

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By Mr. Brewer, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1873) of Gobi and Brewer (by vote of the town) for legislation to combine the positions of treasurer-collector and tax collector into one position in the town of Barre [Local Approval Received] [Joint Committee on Municipalities and Regional Government].

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven  
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An Act providing for the appointment of a treasurer-collector in the town of Barre.

*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 any general or special law or rule or regulation to the  
2 contrary, there shall be a treasurer-collector for the town of Barre. The treasurer-collector shall  
3 have all the powers, perform the duties and be subject to the liabilities and penalties now or  
4 hereafter conferred and imposed by law on town treasurers and town collectors of taxes. The  
5 treasurer-collector shall be appointed and may be removed by a majority vote of the board of  
6 selectmen of the town. The board of selectmen shall appoint a treasurer-collector as an  
7 employee at will for a term not to exceed 3 years. The board of selectmen may establish an  
8 employment agreement with the treasurer-collector for salary, fringe benefits and other  
9 conditions of employment, including, but not limited to, severance pay, reimbursement for  
10 expenses incurred in the performance of the duties of the office, liability insurance, and  
11 conditions of discipline, termination, dismissal, reappointment, performance standards and leave.  
12 The position of treasurer-collector shall be exempt from the provisions of the town’s personnel  
13 by-law.

14           SECTION 2. Notwithstanding section 1, upon the effective date of this act, the positions  
15 of elected town treasurer and elected tax collector shall be abolished and the terms of the officers  
16 holding the office shall be terminated. The board of selectmen shall appoint a treasurer-collector  
17 in accordance with section 1. A vacancy in the office shall be filled in a like manner for the  
18 unexpired portion of the term.

19           SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.