

**Massachusetts House of Representatives  
Bill Summary**

**Bill #:** H.4382

**Title:** An Act relative to the town charter of the town of Plainville

**Sponsor:** Rep. Marcus Vaughn

**Committee:** Municipalities and Regional Government

**Hearing Date:** September 23 to September 30, 2025 written testimony hearing

**Current Law:** Section C-2-3 of the Plainville town charter provides for a finance committee to be appointed by the select board. Section 81-1 of the town bylaws states that there shall be an appointed Finance Committee comprised of seven members, each serving for a term of three years, which shall end on June 30. Terms shall be staggered such that the terms of no more than three members shall expire in any one year.

**Summary:** The bill has the effect of authorizing the town to amend their charter by having the finance committee appointed by the select board chair, finance committee chair, and the town moderator. It keeps language stating that the town bylaws shall regulate the number of members and length of their term of office.

**Notes:** Local approval: May 19, 2025 Annual Town Meeting; Article 26 declared passed by a two-thirds majority.