

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2629**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***Cindy F. Friedman***

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*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 adjusting the MBTA assessment.**

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Cindy F. Friedman*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Fourth Middlesex*

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By Ms. Friedman, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2629) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Cindy F. Friedman for legislation to adjust the MBTA assessment. Transportation.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act adjusting the MBTA assessment.

*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. Section 2 of chapter 6C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022  
2   Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 21 to 24, the words "1 of the  
3   fourteen cities and towns, as defined in said section 1 of said chapter 161A; 1 of whom shall  
4   have municipal government experience in 1 of the 51 cities and towns" and inserting in place  
5   thereof the following words:- 1 of the 13 cities and towns, as defined in said section 1 of said  
6   chapter 161A; 1 of whom shall have municipal government experience in 1 of the 52 cities and  
7   towns.

8           SECTION 2. Section 1A of chapter 40A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
9   amended by striking out, in lines 32 to 34, the words "(i) one of the 51 cities and towns as  
10   defined in section 1 of chapter 161A; (ii) one of the 14 cities and towns as defined in said section  
11   1 of said chapter 161A;" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- (i) one of the 52  
12   cities and towns as defined in section 1 of chapter 161A; (ii) one of the 13 cities and towns as  
13   defined in said section 1 of said chapter 161A;.

14 SECTION 3. Section 147 of chapter 160 of the General Laws, as so, is hereby amended  
15 by striking out, in lines 22 and 23, the words "the fourteen cities and towns or the sixty-four  
16 cities and towns" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- the 13 cities and towns or  
17 the 52 cities and towns.

18 SECTION 4. Section 1 of chapter 161A of the General Laws, as so, is hereby amended  
19 by striking out the definition of "51 cities and towns" and inserting in place thereof the following  
20 definition:- "52 cities and towns", the cities and towns of Arlington, Bedford, Beverly, Braintree,  
21 Burlington, Canton, Cohasset, Concord, Danvers, Dedham, Dover, Framingham, Hamilton,  
22 Hingham, Holbrook, Hull, Lexington, Lincoln, Lynn, Lynnfield, Manchester-by-the-Sea,  
23 Marblehead, Medfield, Melrose, Middleton, Nahant, Natick, Needham, Norfolk, Norwood,  
24 Peabody, Quincy, Randolph, Reading, Salem, Saugus, Sharon, Stoneham, Swampscott,  
25 Topsfield, Wakefield, Walpole, Waltham, Wellesley, Wenham, Weston, Westwood, Weymouth,  
26 Wilmington, Winchester, Winthrop and Woburn.

27 SECTION 5. Said section 1 of said chapter 161A, as so appearing, is hereby further  
28 amended by striking out the definition of "Fourteen cities and towns" and inserting in place  
29 thereof the following definition:- "13 cities and towns", the cities and towns of Belmont, Boston,  
30 Brookline, Cambridge, Chelsea, Everett, Malden, Medford, Milton, Newton, Revere, Somerville  
31 and Watertown.

32 SECTION 6. Section 7 of said chapter 161A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
33 striking out, in lines 17 and 18, the words "the 14 cities and towns; (ii) the 51 cities and towns"  
34 and inserting in place thereof the following words:- the 13 cities and towns; (ii) the 52 cities and  
35 towns.

36 SECTION 7. Section 7A of said chapter 161A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
37 striking out the words “14 cities and towns”, each time they appear, and inserting in place  
38 thereof, in each instance, the following words:- 13 cities and towns.

39 SECTION 8. Said section 7A of said chapter 161A, as so appearing, is hereby further  
40 amended by striking out the words “51 cities and towns”, each time they appear, and inserting in  
41 place thereof, in each instance, the following words:- 52 cities and towns.

42 SECTION 9. Section 9 of said chapter 161A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
43 striking out the words “14 cities and towns”, each time they appear, and inserting in place  
44 thereof, in each instance, the following words:- 13 cities and towns.

45 SECTION 10. Said section 9 of said chapter 161A, as so appearing, is hereby further  
46 amended by striking out the words “51 cities and towns”, each time they appear, and inserting in  
47 place thereof, in each instance, the following words:- 52 cities and towns.