

By Mr. Verga of Gloucester, petition of William Francis Galvin and Anthony J. Verga for legislation to establish a statewide library of zoning in the office of the State Secretary. State Administration.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Nine.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A STATEWIDE LIBRARY OF ZONING.

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. Chapter 9 of the General Laws, as appearing in  
2 the 1994 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after  
3 section 12 a new section as follows:—

4 Section 12A. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall estab-  
5 lish and maintain in his department a statewide Library of Zoning  
6 which shall contain an accurate and complete collection of all  
7 zoning codes, by laws, amendments and special permits as  
8 established by cities and towns. Cities and towns upon request  
9 shall forward a copy of their zoning to the Secretary of the  
10 Commonwealth. The Secretary shall provide for this material  
11 to be available for public inspection.

1 SECTION 2. Section 5 of Chapter 40A, as it appears in the  
2 1994 Official Edition of the General Laws, is amended after the  
3 conclusion of the sixth paragraph at line 87 by inserting the  
4 following new paragraph:—

5 When zoning codes or by laws are established or amended by  
6 cities and towns the zoning commission, planning board or clerk  
7 of the city or town where applicable shall within fourteen days of  
8 the establishment or amendment of the zoning code send a certi-  
9 fied exact copy of the code or amendment accompanied by a map,  
10 plan or explanation to the Secretary of the Commonwealth so as  
11 to be available for public inspection.

