

HOUSE No. 584

By Mr. Jones of North Reading (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 584) of Thomas Perkins for legislation to require that city or town clerks or the state secretary place before the voters of said city or town a ballot question relative to continued participation in the Community Preservation Act, so-called Election Laws.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr. (BY REQUEST)

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to the community preservation act.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

William C. Brown

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

28 Martin Rd
Reading, MA 01867

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine
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AN ACT RELATIVE TO 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:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 3 of Chapter 44B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following subsection: —
- 3 (i) Upon acceptance of sections 3 to 7, inclusive, every subsequent five years, the city or town
4 clerk or the state secretary shall place before the voters of said city or town the following ballot
5 question: “Shall this (city or town) re-accept sections 3 through 7, inclusive, of chapter 44B of
6 the General laws, as approved by its legislative body, a summary of which appears below”. (Set
7 forth here a fair, concise summary and purpose of the law to be acted upon, as determined by the
8 city solicitor or town counsel, including in said summary the percentage of the surcharge to be
9 imposed.)
- 10 If a majority of voters voting on said ballot question vote in the affirmative, then its provisions
11 shall remain in effect for an additional five years; otherwise, the act shall cease.
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