

HOUSE No. 2496

By Mr. Kujawski of Webster, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2496) of Paul Kujawski relative to residency requirements for police officers and fire fighters. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul Kujawski

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 PERTAINING TO POLICE AND FIREFIGHTER RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Paul Kujawski

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

8th Worcester

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT PERTAINING TO POLICE AND FIREFIGHTER RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Chapter 41 of the General Laws, be amended by **striking Section 99A:**

“CHAPTER 41. OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF CITIES, TOWNS AND DISTRICTS

POLICE OFFICERS

Chapter 41: Section 99A. Members of regular police or fire department and fire alarm division; residence outside city or town

Section 99A. Any member of the regular police or fire department and fire alarm division of a city or town appointed subsequent to August first, nineteen hundred and seventy-eight shall reside within fifteen miles of the limits of said city or town. Said distance shall be measured from the closest border limits of said city or town in which said member is employed to the closest border limits of the city or town in which said member lives; provided however, if any said city or town by local ordinance or by-law to which the provisions of paragraph (d) of section seven of chapter one hundred and fifty E of the General Laws shall apply, or by collective bargaining agreement shall require the members of a regular police or fire department appointed on or after August first, nineteen hundred and seventy-eight to be residents of such city or town, the provision of such local ordinance, by-law or collective bargaining agreement shall supersede the provision of this section and provided further such local ordinance, by-law or collective bargaining agreement shall apply only to those members of a regular police or fire department appointed subsequent to the adoption of such local ordinance, by-law or collective bargaining agreement.”