

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 5013

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 3, 1971.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading, to whom was referred the Bill requiring the filing of charter documents with the Department of the Attorney General (House, No. 3073), report recommending that the same be amended by the substitution of the accompanying bill (House, No. 5013).

For the committee,

THEODORE J. ALEIXO, JR.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

### AN ACT REQUIRING THE FILING OF CERTAIN INFORMATION RELATING TO HOME RULE CHARTERS WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

*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. The last sentence of subsection (c) of section 9  
2 of chapter 43B of the General Laws, added by section 3 of  
3 chapter 786 of the acts of 1970, is hereby amended by in-  
4 serting after the word “affairs”, in line 2, the words: – and to  
5 the attorney general.

1 SECTION 2. Section 12 of said chapter 43B is hereby  
2 amended by striking out the first paragraph, as amended by  
3 section 6 of said chapter 786, and inserting in place thereof the  
4 following paragraph: –

5 Certificates in quadruplicate shall be prepared setting forth  
6 any charter that has been adopted or revised and any charter  
7 amendments approved, and shall be signed by the city or town  
8 clerk. One such certificate shall be deposited in the office of  
9 the secretary of the commonwealth, a second copy shall be  
10 deposited in the office of community affairs, a third copy shall  
11 be deposited with the attorney general, and the other shall be  
12 recorded in the records of the city or town and deposited  
13 among its archives. All courts may take judicial notice of  
14 charters and charter amendments of cities and towns.