

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2399**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Rhonda Nyman*

*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:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Rhonda Nyman</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>Christopher G. Fallon</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>
<i>John J. Lawn, Jr.</i>	<i>10th Middlesex</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>
<i>Thomas P. Conroy</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>

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By Mrs. Nyman of Hanover, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2399) of Rhonda Nyman and others relative to residency requirements of municipal police officers and fire fighters. Public Service.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**

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:*

1 Chapter 41 of the General Laws, is hereby amended by striking Section 99A: Chapter 41  
2 OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF CITITES, TOWNS AND DISTRCITS POLICE  
3 OFFICERS and by adding the following new section; Chapter 41: Section 99A. Members of  
4 regular police or fire department and fire alarm division; residence outside city or town.

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