

HOUSE No. 292

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act Changing the Definition of a Gateway City.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 292) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others for legislation to change the definition of a Gateway City. Economic Development and Emerging Technologies.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act Changing the Definition of a Gateway City.

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 3A of chapter 23A, of the General Laws as appearing in the 2010
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the definition for “Gateway Municipality,” and
3 inserting in place thereof the following new definition:--

4 “Gateway Municipality” a municipality with a population greater than 35,000 and less
5 than 250,000, a median household income below the commonwealth’s average and a rate of
6 educational attainment of a bachelor’s degree or above that is below the commonwealth’s
7 average, or a municipality with a average seasonally adjusted unemployment rate that is higher
8 than that of the states average.