

HOUSE No. 3645

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Denise Provost

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 authorizing the city of Somerville to impose impact fees for any development project for the purposes of funding the Green Line extension.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Christine P. Barber</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>
<i>Mike Connolly</i>	<i>26th Middlesex</i>
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>

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By Ms. Provost of Somerville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3645) of Denise Provost and others (with the approval of the mayor and board of aldermen) that the city of Somerville be authorized to impose fees on certain development projects to fund the Green Line Extension. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act authorizing the city of Somerville to impose impact fees for any development project for the purposes of funding the Green Line extension.

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 City of Somerville is hereby authorized, by zoning ordinance, to impose
2 impact fees for any development project within a half mile of any station on the Green Line
3 Extension for the purposes of funding the Green Line Extension. The ordinance shall specify the
4 dollar amount of the impact fee, and types of uses, and geographic areas to which the ordinance
5 shall apply. The impact fee may initially be set at a maximum of \$2.50 per square foot, and may
6 be indexed to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation rates. Any impact fee shall comply with
7 the following: (1) it shall have a rational nexus to an impact created by the development; and (2)
8 it shall apply to properties which will benefit from the construction of the Green Line Extension.
9 The ordinance shall specify the terms of when a developer is responsible for payment to the City.

10 The authorization of Somerville’s ordinance shall expire on or before June 31, 2059.

11 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.