

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4028**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Sean Garballey and Cindy F. Friedman***

*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 allowing exempting the town of Arlington from the provisions of chapter 31 of the General Laws as they concern the recruitment and hiring of full time permanent police officers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>7/20/2023</i>
<i>Cindy F. Friedman</i>	<i>Fourth Middlesex</i>	<i>7/20/2023</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>	<i>7/20/2023</i>

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By Representative Garballey of Arlington and Senator Friedman, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4028) of Sean Garballey, Cindy F. Friedman and David M. Rogers (by vote of the town) that the town of Arlington be exempt from certain provisions of the civil service law relative to the recruitment and hiring of full time permanent police officers. Public Service. [Local Approval Received.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)

An Act allowing exempting the town of Arlington from the provisions of chapter 31 of the General Laws as they concern the recruitment and hiring of full time permanent police officers.

*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. Notwithstanding any general or special law or rule to the contrary, the town  
2 of Arlington shall be exempt from chapter 31 of the General Laws concerning the recruiting and  
3 hiring for the position of permanent full time police officer; furthermore, following: (i) an  
4 original appointment as a permanent full time police officer and graduation from a police  
5 academy; or (ii) a permanent full time position transfer from another police department, said  
6 police officer shall engage in the actual performance of the duties of such position for a  
7 probationary period of 12 months; whereupon after completion of the probationary period or  
8 extended probationary period, the police officer shall be considered a full time tenured civil  
9 service employee in said position under said chapter 31.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.