

HOUSE No. 4247

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John Barrett, III

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 relative to partition fences.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

John Barrett, III

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

1st Berkshire

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By Mr. Barrett of North Adams, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of John Barrett, III relative to the maintenance of partition fences. Municipalities and Regional Government.

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

An Act relative to partition fences.

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 3 of chapter 49 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018 Official Edition, is
2 hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:

3 An occupant who keeps livestock or poultry within such an enclosure shall be responsible
4 for the full cost of maintenance of partition fences if the adjoining occupant does not keep
5 livestock or poultry, unless both occupants otherwise agree.