

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4583**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Paul W. Mark*

*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 the position of appointed collector in the town of Northfield.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Paul W. Mark*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*2nd Berkshire*

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By Mr. Mark of Peru, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4583) of Paul W. Mark (by vote of the town) that the town of Northfield be authorized to appoint a town collector for said town. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act relative to the position of appointed collector in the town of Northfield.

*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 to the contrary, there shall be an  
2 appointed collector in the town of Northfield. The Collector shall have all the powers, perform  
3 the duties and be subject to the liabilities and penalties now or hereafter conferred and imposed  
4 by law on town collectors. The collector shall be appointed, and may be removed, by the board  
5 of selectmen of the town. The board of selectmen may establish an employment contract with the  
6 collector for salary, fringe benefits and other conditions of employment, including but not  
7 limited to, severance pay, reimbursement for expenses incurred in the performance of the duties  
8 of office, liability insurance, conditions of discipline, termination, dismissal, reappointment,  
9 performance standards and leave.

10           SECTION 2. Notwithstanding section 1, the incumbent holding the office of collector on  
11 the effective date of this act shall continue to hold office and to perform the duties thereof until  
12 the expiration or the term for which he or she was elected, unless the incumbent sooner vacates

13 the office. After the term of the incumbent collector holding office on the effective date of this  
14 act has expired, or is sooner vacated, the board of selectmen shall appoint a collector in the  
15 manner set forth in said section 1.

16 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.