

HOUSE No. 5003

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John Barrett

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 board of selectmen of the town of Cheshire.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>John Barrett</i>	<i>1st Berkshire</i>
<i>Adam G. Hinds</i>	<i>Berkshire, Hampshire, Franklin and Hampden</i>

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By Mr. Barrett of North Adams, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5003) of John Barrett and Adam G. Hinds (by vote of the town) relative to the board of selectmen of the town of Cheshire. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to the board of selectmen of the town of Cheshire.

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, the number of
2 members of the board of selectmen of the town of Cheshire shall be increased from 3 members
3 to 5 members. Each selectman shall serve for a 3-year term, with no more than 2 selectmen's
4 terms to run concurrently.

5 SECTION 2. At the first annual or special town election following at least 64 days after
6 the acceptance of this act by the voters of the town, 2 additional selectmen shall be elected, 1 to a
7 2-year term and 1 to a 3 year term. The terms of those members currently serving as selectmen at
8 the time of the adoption of this act shall be unchanged by adoption of this act.

9 SECTION 3. This act shall be submitted to the voters of the town of Cheshire at a regular
10 or special town election to be held in said town in the form of the following question, which shall
11 be placed on the official ballot: "Shall an act passed by the General Court in the year 2018,
12 entitled "An Act relative to the board of selectmen of the town of Cheshire", be accepted? Below

13 the question shall appear a summary of the act prepared by town counsel and approved by the
14 board of selectmen. If a majority of those voting on the question vote in the affirmative, sections
15 1 and 2 of this act shall take effect in the town of Cheshire, but not otherwise.

16 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.