

HOUSE No. 5218

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, December 29, 2020.

The committee on Public Service to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5154) of Todd M. Smola, Anne M. Gobi and Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr. (by vote of the town) relative to the appointment of fire officers and firefighters in the town of Ware, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 5218) ought to pass [Local Approval Received].

For the committee,

JERALD A. PARISELLA.

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

An Act relative to the Ware Fire Department.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 42 of chapter 48 of the General Laws, the
2 selectboard of the Town of Ware shall serve as fire commissioners in the Town of Ware for
3 appointment of all fire officers and firefighters. Upon and after acceptance of this Special Act by
4 the Town of Ware, the selectboard acting as fire commissioners shall have sole authority to hire
5 and promote all firefighters and fire officers in the Town of Ware. The Fire Chief shall retain all
6 other powers, duties and responsibilities set forth in section 42 of chapter 48 of the General
7 Laws, provided that the legislature may reasonably vary the form and substance of the requested
8 legislation with the scope of the general public objectives of this petition.