

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1282**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Cynthia Stone Creem*

*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 authorizing the expenditure of \$500,000 from town of Brookline marijuana mitigation stabilization fund for purpose of advancing racial equity in the town of Brookline.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Cynthia Stone Creem*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Norfolk and Middlesex*

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By Ms. Creem, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1282) of Cynthia Stone Creem (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the expenditure of \$500,000 from town of Brookline marijuana mitigation stabilization fund for purpose of advancing racial equity in the town of Brookline. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 2529 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act authorizing the expenditure of \$500,000 from town of Brookline marijuana mitigation stabilization fund for purpose of advancing racial equity in the town of Brookline.

*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 section 3 of chapter 94G of the General Laws, section 5B  
2 of chapter 40, section 53 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, or any other general or special law  
3 to the contrary, the Town of Brookline is authorized to spend \$500,000 from the Town’s  
4 Marijuana Mitigation Stabilization Fund (consisting of funds derived from Host Community  
5 Agreement mitigation fees from licensed cannabis establishments) for the purpose of supporting  
6 projects, programs and initiatives that advance racial equity and racial justice within the  
7 Brookline community. Such monies shall be expended in conformity with Select Board  
8 regulations and/or such terms as the Select Board may specify.

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