

**SENATE . . . . . No. 723**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Eileen M. Donoghue*

*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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to municipal impact statements.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Eileen M. Donoghue*

*First Middlesex*

*Colleen M. Garry*

*36th Middlesex*

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By Ms. Donoghue, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 723) of Eileen M. Donoghue and Colleen M. Garry for legislation relative to municipal impact statements. The Judiciary.

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act relative to municipal impact statements.

*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, section 3 of  
2 chapter 258B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended  
3 by inserting, after paragraph (v), the following;-

4           (w) for municipalities, to be heard through an oral and written impact statement at  
5 sentencing or the disposition of the case against the defendant about the effects of the crime on  
6 the municipality and as to a recommended sentence, and to be heard at any other time deemed  
7 appropriate by the court. The municipality also has a right to submit the impact statement to the  
8 parole board for inclusion in its records regarding the perpetrator of the crime.