

HOUSE No. 3183

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 permitting public corporations to hold remote annual and special meetings.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/17/2021</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>	<i>2/25/2021</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>	<i>3/11/2021</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>3/24/2021</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>	<i>4/7/2021</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3183) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others for legislation to authorize public corporations to hold remote annual and special meetings. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act relative to permitting public corporations to hold remote annual and special meetings.

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. Section 7.08 of chapter 156D of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 striking out the first paragraph, as appearing in the 2018 Official Edition, and inserting in place
3 thereof the following paragraph:-

4 Unless otherwise provided in the articles of organization or bylaws, if authorized by the
5 board of directors: any annual or special meeting of shareholders need not be held at any place
6 but may instead be held solely by means of remote communication, including, if said meetings
7 are held by public corporations; and subject to such guidelines and procedures as the board of
8 directors may adopt, shareholders and proxyholders not physically present at a meeting of
9 shareholders may, by means of remote communications: