

HOUSE No. 3776

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jennifer E. Benson

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:

An Act authorizing the town of Acton to transfer certain forest land to general municipal purposes.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Jennifer E. Benson

37th Middlesex

James B. Eldridge

Middlesex and Worcester

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By Ms. Benson of Lunenburg, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3776) of Jennifer E. Benson and James B. Eldridge (by vote of the town) that the town of Acton be authorized to transfer certain forest land to general municipal purposes. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act authorizing the town of Acton to transfer certain forest land to general municipal purposes.

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 town of
2 Acton, acting by and through its board of selectmen, may transfer and change the use of 3
3 parcels of land currently used for town forest purposes to general municipal purposes. The
4 parcels of land to be transferred are a portion of Parcel 34, as shown on Acton’s Town Atlas Map
5 B-5, consisting of approximately 2.38 acres of the premises described in a deed dated December
6 30, 1943 and recorded with the Middlesex south registry of deeds in book 6734, page 596, and
7 more particularly identified as: (i) “Area to be Transferred from Town Forest to General
8 Municipal ± 53,768 SF (1.23 AC)”, (ii) “Area to be Transferred from Town Forest to General
9 Municipal ± 33,148 SF (0.76 AC)”, and (iii) “Area to be Transferred from Town Forest to
10 Quarry Road Right-of-Way ± 16,810 SF (0.39 AC)” on a plan entitled “Plan of the Land on yout
11 of a Portion of Quarry Road, Acton, MA” prepared by the town of Acton engineering
12 department, dated June 24, 2013, and on file with the town clerk.

13 SECTION 2. As a condition of the conveyance authorized in section 1, the town of Acton
14 shall transfer from general municipal purposes to town forest purposes that portion of Parcel 3,
15 as shown on Acton’s Town Atlas Map C-5, consisting of approximately 2.41 acres of the
16 premises described in a deed dated January 28, 1976 and recorded with the Middlesex south
17 registry of deeds in book 12940, page 132, and more particularly identified as “Area to be
18 Transferred from General Municipal to Town Forest ± 104,820 SF (2.41 AC)” on the plan of
19 land described in section 1.

20 SECTION 3. If the land conveyed pursuant to section 1 ceases to be used for the
21 purposes described in that section, the land shall revert to the town of Acton, acting by and
22 through its board of selectmen, for town forest purposes.

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