

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4623**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Daniel Cahill*

*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 amending the charter of the city of Lynn.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Daniel Cahill</i>	<i>10th Essex</i>	<i>3/16/2022</i>
<i>Brendan P. Crighton</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>	<i>3/21/2022</i>

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By Mr. Cahill of Lynn, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4623) of Daniel Cahill and Brendan P. Crighton (with the approval of the mayor and city council) that the city of Lynn be authorized to amend the charter of said city. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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

An Act amending the charter of the city of Lynn.

*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. The first and second sentences of subsection (f) of section 3-7 of the Lynn  
2 city charter, which is on file in the office of the archivist of the commonwealth as provided by  
3 section 12 of chapter 43B of the General Laws, is hereby amended by striking out the following  
4 words:- all persons elected to a city office by the city council under this section shall at the time  
5 of their election and at all times during their tenure in such office, be a resident and a voter of the  
6 city. Establishment of a principal place of residence outside of the limits of the city of Lynn shall  
7 be deemed to be an automatic resignation of the office to which said person was elected.

8           SECTION 2. The third sentence of subsection (c) of section 6-10 of said charter is hereby  
9 amended by striking out the following words:- he need not be a resident of the City of Lynn  
10 when appointed but he shall, within six months following such appointment, establish such  
11 residence or the position shall be deemed to be vacant.

12 SECTION 3. The second sentence of subsection (d) section 6-10 of said charter is hereby  
13 amended by striking out the following words:- the commissioner and associate commissioners  
14 need not be residents of the city of Lynn when appointed, but within six months following such  
15 appointment shall establish such residence, or the position shall be deemed to be vacant.

16 SECTION 4. Section 8-11 of said charter is hereby amended by striking out and inserting  
17 in place thereof the following section:-

18 Section 8-11 City Residency Preference

19 Except where exempted by State law or an applicable collective bargaining agreement,  
20 persons who have resided in the City of Lynn for a continuous 12-month period prior to being  
21 appointed to any City office, position, board or commission, shall be preferred for appointments  
22 in any event where the qualifications and experience of the resident applicant and non-resident  
23 applicant are substantially similar.

24 SECTION 5. Subsection (f) of section 9-6 of said charter is hereby repealed.-

25 SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon its passage.