

HOUSE No. 4682

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David K. Muradian, Jr. and Michael O. Moore

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 town charter in the town of Grafton relative to appointments by the town select board and the town administrator and the reference to the town’s website.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>David K. Muradian, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>	<i>5/17/2024</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>5/17/2024</i>

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By Representative Muradian of Grafton and Senator Moore, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4682) of David K. Muradian, Jr., and Michael O. Moore (by vote of the town) relative to appointments by the town select board and the town administrator and the reference to the website in the town of Grafton. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act amending the town charter in the town of Grafton relative to appointments by the town select board and the town administrator and the reference to the town’s website.

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 3-2 of article 3 of the charter of the town of Grafton, which is on
2 file in the office of the archivist of the commonwealth, as provided in section 12 of chapter 43B
3 of the General Laws, is hereby amended by striking out subsection (d) and inserting in place
4 thereof the following subsection:-

5 (d) APPOINTMENT- The Select Board shall appoint: (i) a Town Administrator; (ii)
6 Constables; (iii) the members of the Board of Appeals; (iv) the Registrars of Voters and other
7 election officers; (v) the Conservation Commission; (vi) members of multiple member bodies,
8 the functions of which do not involve direct operating responsibilities, but are primarily policy
9 making or advisory in nature; (vii) individuals who are to serve as representatives or delegates of
10 the town to the governing or advisory boards of regional or district authorities; and (viii) any
11 local officers designated by by-law to be appointed by the Select Board.

12 SECTION 2. Subsection (b) of section 4-2 of article 4 of said charter, is hereby amended
13 by inserting after the word “charter” the following words:- , or by by-law.

14 SECTION 3. Section 7-5 of article 7 of said charter, is hereby amended by striking out
15 subsection (f) and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:-

16 (f) Local Newspaper- The words “local newspaper” shall mean a newspaper of general
17 circulation in the Town of Grafton and the official website of the Town of Grafton.

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