

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4747**

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**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 exempting the police chief position and all police officer positions of the town of North Reading from the civil service law.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4747) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and Bruce E. Tarr (by vote of the town) that the town of North Reading be authorized to exempt the positions of police chief and police officer from the civil service law. Public Service. [Local Approval Received.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**

An Act exempting the police chief position and all police officer positions of the town of North Reading from the civil service law.

*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, all Police  
2 Officer positions, including Police Chief, within the police department of the Town of North  
3 Reading shall be exempt from Chapter 31 of the General Laws.

4 SECTION 2. Section 1 shall not impair the civil service status of any Police Officer,  
5 including the Police Chief, employed in the Town of North Reading on the effective date of this  
6 act.

7 SECTION 3. Pursuant to Memoranda of Agreement between the Town of North Reading  
8 and the respective unions representing the Patrol Officers, Sergeants, and Lieutenants, hiring and  
9 promotions that occur after the effective date of this Act shall be exempt from Chapter 31 of the  
10 General Laws but shall be covered by this Act, the Town Charter, the Town Bylaws, and any  
11 applicable collective bargaining agreement covering the respective positions: (1) patrol officers,

12 (2) police sergeants, (3) police lieutenants, (4) police chief; and (5) all other police officer  
13 positions within the Police Department that are authorized to exercise police powers. All other  
14 applicable provisions of the General Laws shall be unaffected by this Act.

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