SENATE No. 1178

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Viriato M. deMacedo

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 authorizing municipal use of the prudent investor standards.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
Viriato M. deMacedo	Plymouth and Barnstable	
David Paul Linsky	5th Middlesex	1/29/2019
Anne M. Gobi	Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex	1/29/2019
F. Jay Barrows	1st Bristol	1/29/2019
Shaunna L. O'Connell	3rd Bristol	1/31/2019
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex	2/1/2019
David Allen Robertson	19th Middlesex	2/1/2019

SENATE DOCKET, NO. 260 FILED ON: 1/10/2019

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By Mr. deMacedo, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1178) of Viriato M. deMacedo, David Paul Linsky, Anne M. Gobi, F. Jay Barrows and other members of the General Court for legislation to authorize municipal use of the prudent investor standards. Municipalities and Regional Government.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. *1123* OF 2017-2018.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court (2019-2020)

An Act authorizing municipal use of the prudent investor standards.

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 54 of chapter 44 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting the following subtitle:
- 3 "(a) General Rule:"
- 4 Section 2. Said section is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof, the following
- 5 subsection:-
- 6 (b) Prudent Investor Rule
- 7 This paragraph shall take effect in any city, town or district upon acceptance in
- 8 accordance with the provisions of General Laws Chapter 4, Section 4. Upon acceptance of this

paragraph any city, town, or district may manage trust funds held in its custody as a combined
investment pool and may invest said funds in accordance with the provisions of the
Massachusetts Prudent Investor Act of Chapter 203C of the General Laws and not in accordance
with paragraph (a) of this section. If any provision of this paragraph conflicts with the terms of a
bequest, trust, or other instrument that expresses the clear intent of the donor, then such funds
may be managed and invested only in accordance with the terms of such bequest, trust, or other