

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas P. Conroy

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 bill:
An Act authorizing local voting rights for permanent resident aliens in the town of Wayland. .

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Thomas P. Conroy

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

13th Middlesex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3945 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT AUTHORIZING LOCAL VOTING RIGHTS FOR PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIENS IN
THE TOWN OF WAYLAND. ..

*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 section 1 of chapter 51 of the General Laws or regulation to the contrary, residents of
2 the town of Wayland, who are aliens lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States and who
3 meet all qualifications for registering to vote except United States citizenship may upon application, have their
4 names entered on a register of qualified permanent resident alien voters and may thereafter vote in any election
5 for local offices, local ballot questions and at town meetings in the town of Wayland.

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7 SECTION 2. The board of selectmen of the town of Wayland may formulate regulations and guidelines to
8 implement the purpose of this act.

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10 SECTION 3. Nothing in this act shall be construed to confer upon permanent resident aliens the right to vote for
11 any state or federal office or any state or federal ballot question.