

HOUSE No. 3575

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Ellen Story

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 the town of Pelham to continue the employment of Raymond A. Murphy, Jr. as fire chief.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Ellen Story

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

3rd Hampshire

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By Ms. Story of Amherst, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3575) of Ellen Story (by vote of the town) that the town of Pelham be authorized to continue the employment of fire chief Raymond A. Murphy, Jr. Public Service. [Local Approval Received.]

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

An Act authorizing the town of Pelham to continue the employment of Raymond A. Murphy, Jr. as fire chief.

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 chapter 32 of the General Laws or any other general or
2 special law to the contrary, Raymond A. Murphy, Jr. chief of the fire department of the town of
3 Pelham may continue in service in the position of fire chief for the town of Pelham beyond the
4 age of 65 until the date of his retirement or the date he is removed or suspended from office by
5 the board of selectmen in accordance with applicable laws, rules, regulations; provided, however,
6 that he remains physically and mentally capable of performing the duties of the position. In no
7 event shall Raymond A. Murphy, Jr. remain in service as fire chief beyond the age of 70. If
8 requested by the board of selectmen, Raymond A. Murphy, Jr. shall, at the town's expense, be
9 examined by an impartial physician designated by the town to determine his capacity.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.