

HOUSE No. 1269

By Ms. Malia of Boston, petition of Thomas M. Menino and others for legislation to enhance public safety and security in certain public housing developments. Housing.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

Thomas M. Menino	Jeffrey Sanchez
Elizabeth A. Malia	Steven A. Tolman
Willie Mae Allen	Denise Provost
Gloria L. Fox	Thomas P. Kennedy
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In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

AN ACT TO ENHANCE PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY IN CERTAIN PUBLIC HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 In recognition of the need for improved public safety policing
2 programs in public housing communities of the City of Boston and
3 other cities of the Commonwealth, Section 3 of Chapter 23B of the
4 General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 official edition, is hereby
5 amended by inserting after paragraph (v) the following new para-
6 graph:—

7 “(w) implement community-based policing programs as an
8 adjunct to or to be provided in connection with community-based
9 drug elimination, crime prevention, security and similar programs.
10 Such programs may include, without limitation, security, crime and
11 drug prevention, drug elimination and education, youth-oriented pro-
12 grams, neighborhood crime watch, and the acquisition of equipment
13 in aid of law enforcement. Notwithstanding any general or special
14 law to the contrary, there is hereby annually appropriated an amount
15 in the aggregate not less than \$11,000,000 which, after fiscal year
16 2007, shall be adjusted each July 1 by the growth rate of the infla-

17 tion index over the preceding 12 months; provided, that, after said
18 fiscal year, in no case shall said assessment exceed 102.5 per cent of
19 the previous year's assessment and which shall be expended for said
20 programs.”