

HOUSE No. 2406

By Mr. Walsh of Boston, petition of Martin J. Walsh relative to considering local needs in the training of fire fighters. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

AN ACT PERTAINING TO FIREFIGHTER TRAINING.

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

- 1 Chapter 6 Section 165 as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition is
- 2 amended by adding in line 22 the following:—
- 3 “Said standards shall reflect the individual needs of communities
- 4 as far as target hazards and local needs dictate. If disputes con-
- 5 cerning standards are not resolved NFPA standards shall apply.
- 6 Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, a local fire training
- 7 academy shall be given the authority to certify firefighting personnel
- 8 subject to meeting the aforementioned standards. Funding for local
- 9 training programs shall be paid in accordance with Chapter 175
- 10 Section 195 of the General Laws”.