

SENATE, NO. 2283

AN ACT AUTHORIZING LOCAL VOTING RIGHTS FOR ALL CATEGORIES OF PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIENS RESIDING IN AMHERST

*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 the provisions of section 1 of chapter 51 of the General Laws, or any
2 other general or special law, rule or regulation to the contrary, resident aliens eighteen years of age or
3 older and who reside in the town of Amherst may, upon application, have their names entered on list
4 of voters, established by the town clerk, for the town of Amherst and may thereafter vote in any
5 election for local offices and local ballot questions.

6 SECTION 2. The Select Board of Amherst is authorized to formulate regulations and guidelines to
7 implement the purpose of this act.

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