



City of Somerville, Massachusetts

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Title: Proposing a Home Rule Petition to establish a charter for the City of Somerville.

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Attachments: 1. HRP Charter Revision, 2. HRP Charter Revision - Clean, 3. 03.27.25 CC HRP Charter Revision

Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
4/11/2025	1	City Council	Section 16 Approval	
3/27/2025	1	City Council	Approved as amended	Pass
3/18/2025	1	Charter Review Special Committee	Recommended to be approved as amended	Pass
3/13/2025	1	City Council	Referred for recommendation	

Agenda Summary

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Official Text

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CONDITION/AMENDMENT

AMENDMENT: 9-1 b) Except as otherwise provided in this charter, the city shall not be subject to provisions of chapter 31 of the General Laws. Uniform positions within the police department below the rank of deputy chief shall continue to be subject to said chapter 31. All uniform positions within the fire department, except the assistant chief position and the employee serving in such capacity, shall continue to be subject to said chapter 31. ~~Uniform positions within the police department below the rank of chief of department, and the uniform positions within the fire department, shall continue to be subject to said chapter 31.~~ Tenured civil service employees of the city shall continue to be subject to the provisions of said chapter 31 in the classification held at the time of the effective date of this charter.