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TO: House Chair Rep. Lori Ehrlich  
Senate Chair Sen. John Cronin  
FR: Chilmark Select Board (Board of Selectmen)  
DT: September 13, 2021  
RE: Testimony H.3985 An Act relative to the Chilmark Select Board

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

**Date of Hearing:** Tuesday, September 14, 2021

**Time:** 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

**Location:** Virtual Hearing

The Joint Committee on Municipalities and Regional Government will hold a public hearing **Tuesday, September 14, 2021 starting at 11:00 AM** on the following bills: (327<sup>th</sup> town anniversary date)

To the Honorable members of the Joint Committee on Municipalities and Regional Government:

The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Chilmark respectfully request that you approve changing the name of our Board to Select Board.

The name Board of Selectmen is no longer appropriate and is a relic of an exclusionary past that has no place in our town or society.

In this, the 21st Century, it is appropriate and fitting that our town recognizes the diverse interests that are present in our community and the contributions of all our citizens, without regard to gender, race, religion or orientation, by changing the name of our Board.

We appreciate your attention and welcome your support of this unanimous request of the Chilmark Annual Town Meeting.

Sincerely,

Chilmark Select Board (Board of Selectmen)

James Malkin, Chair Person Warren Doty, Clerk William Rossi

Timothy Carroll, Town Administrator