

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2393**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Bruce J. Ayers***

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act providing for a donation check-off box on state tax returns for the Massachusetts Youth & Government program.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>
<i>Daniel Cahill</i>	<i>10th Essex</i>
<i>Tackey Chan</i>	<i>2nd Norfolk</i>
<i>William L. Crocker, Jr.</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>
<i>Julian Cyr</i>	<i>Cape and Islands</i>
<i>Linda Dean Campbell</i>	<i>15th Essex</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>Diana DiZoglio</i>	<i>First Essex</i>
<i>William J. Driscoll, Jr.</i>	<i>7th Norfolk</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Carmine Lawrence Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Carlos Gonzalez</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>

<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>
<i>Daniel J. Hunt</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>
<i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>
<i>John F. Keenan</i>	<i>Norfolk and Plymouth</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kathleen R. LaNatra</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>
<i>Adrian C. Madaro</i>	<i>1st Suffolk</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>Joan Meschino</i>	<i>3rd Plymouth</i>
<i>Frank A. Moran</i>	<i>17th Essex</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>James M. Murphy</i>	<i>4th Norfolk</i>
<i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>
<i>Jeffrey N. Roy</i>	<i>10th Norfolk</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>
<i>John C. Velis</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>
<i>Thomas P. Walsh</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>
<i>Bud L. Williams</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>

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By Mr. Ayers of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2393) of Bruce J. Ayers and others for legislation to provide a donation check-off box on state tax returns for the establishment of the Y.M.C.A Youth and Government fund. Revenue.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1469 OF 2017-2018.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)  
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An Act providing for a donation check-off box on state tax returns for the Massachusetts Youth & Government program.

*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. Chapter 10 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
2 section 35AAA, inserted by section 25 of chapter 165 of the acts of 2014, the following section:-  
3           Section 35BBB. There shall be established and set up on the books of the commonwealth  
4 a separate fund to be known as the YMCA’s Youth & Government Fund to be used for the  
5 purposes of funding the YMCA’s Youth & Government program. The fund shall be administered  
6 by the state treasurer. The fund shall consist of all revenues received by the commonwealth  
7 pursuant to the voluntary check-off donation indicated on the department of revenue’s annual  
8 income tax return authorized by section 60 of chapter 62 and from public and private sources  
9 such as gifts, grants and donations to further fund the YMCA’s Youth & Government program.

10 The state treasurer shall deposit amounts in the fund in accordance with section 34 of chapter 29  
11 in a manner that will secure the highest interest rate available consistent with the safety of the  
12 fund and with the requirement that all amounts on deposit shall be available for immediate  
13 withdrawal at any time. The monies shall be expended by the state treasurer without further  
14 appropriation for the purposes of funding the YMCA's Youth & Government program and any  
15 funds remaining at the end of any fiscal year shall not revert to the General Fund and shall be  
16 available for use in subsequent fiscal years.

17 SECTION 2. Chapter 62 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
18 section 6N, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, the following section:-

19 Section 6O. A person filing an individual or a joint return may voluntarily contribute all  
20 or part of any refund to which they are entitled, or may voluntarily add an amount on to any  
21 amount due, to be credited to the YMCA's Youth & Government Fund. A contribution under  
22 this section may be made with respect to any taxable year at the time of filing a return of the tax  
23 established by this chapter for such taxable year. The commissioner shall prescribe the manner in  
24 which the contribution shall be made on the face of the return required by section 5 of chapter  
25 62C; provided, however, that the commissioner shall assure that taxpayers filing any such forms  
26 are made clearly aware of their ability to make the contributions provided for by this section. The  
27 commissioner shall annually report the total amount designated under this section to the state  
28 treasurer, who shall credit such amount to the YMCA's Youth & Government Fund.