

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2595**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Paul R. Heroux*

*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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to exempting farmers' markets from certain property taxes.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Christine E. Canavan</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>Paul A. Schmid, III</i>	<i>8th Bristol</i>

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By Mr. Heroux of Attleboro, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2595) of Paul R. Heroux, Christine E. Canavan and Paul A. Schmid, III for legislation to exempt farmers’ markets from certain property taxes. Revenue.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION

SEE

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 , NO. 4143 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act relative to exempting farmers’ markets from certain property taxes.

*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. Section 2B of chapter 59 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, in line 18, after the words “and laws”, the  
3 following:

4 ; provided further, that, subject to section 4 of chapter 4, for the purposes of this section,  
5 a farmers’ market, as defined by the Massachusetts department of agricultural resources, shall be  
6 considered a public purpose.