

HOUSE No. 3401

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul McMurtry

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:

An Act to allow partial payments on property tax bills.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>Cory Atkins</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Stephen L. DiNatale</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>

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By Mr. McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3401) of Paul McMurtry and others for legislation to authorize cities and towns to accept partial payments of certain taxes and assess interest on unpaid balances. Revenue.

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An Act to allow partial payments on property tax bills.

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 57 of chapter 59 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

3 The legislative body of a city or town may vote to establish a municipal tax partial
4 payment program. Under such program, partial payment of bills for real estate taxes shall be
5 applied to the underlying obligation so that any interest added shall be calculated based on the
6 reduced balance due following the partial payment.

7 SECTION 2. Section 57A of chapter 59 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
8 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding after the word “tax”, in line 9, the following
9 words:- ;provided that such interest calculations shall be reduced pursuant to the adoption of a
10 municipal tax partial payment program and any partial payments made thereunder.

11 SECTION 3. Section 57B of chapter 59 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
12 Official Edition is hereby amended by adding after the word “tax”, in line 9, the following
13 words:-

14 ; provided that such interest calculations shall be reduced pursuant to the adoption of a
15 municipal tax partial payment program and any partial payments made thereunder.

16 SECTION 4. Section 57C of chapter 59 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
17 Official Edition is hereby amended by inserting after the word “interest”, in line 136, the
18 following words:- ; provided that such interest calculations shall be reduced pursuant to the
19 adoption of a municipal tax partial payment program and any partial payments made thereunder.