

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3461**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Aaron Vega*

*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 tax incentives for small businesses.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Aaron Vega</i>	<i>5th Hampden</i>
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Evandro C. Carvalho</i>	<i>5th Suffolk</i>
<i>Mark J. Cusack</i>	<i>5th Norfolk</i>
<i>Michael S. Day</i>	<i>31st Middlesex</i>
<i>Carlos Gonzalez</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Adam G. Hinds</i>	<i>Berkshire, Hampshire, Franklin and Hampden</i>
<i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i>	<i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i>
<i>Daniel J. Hunt</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>
<i>Eric P. Lesser</i>	<i>First Hampden and Hampshire</i>
<i>James R. Miceli</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>
<i>Rady Mom</i>	<i>18th Middlesex</i>
<i>Frank A. Moran</i>	<i>17th Essex</i>
<i>Jonathan D. Zlotnik</i>	<i>2nd Worcester</i>

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By Mr. Vega of Holyoke, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Aaron Vega and others relative to the excise imposed upon sales for capital investments to small businesses. Revenue.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3297 OF 2015-2016.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act providing tax incentives for small businesses.

*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 1 of chapter 64H of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the definition of “Services” the following  
3 definition:-

4           “Small business”, a business entity, including its affiliates, that: (i) is independently  
5 owned and operated; (ii) has a principal place of business in the commonwealth; and (iii) would  
6 be defined as a “small business” under applicable federal law, as established in the United States  
7 Code and promulgated from time to time by the United States Small Business Administration.

8           SECTION 2. Section 2 of said chapter 64H, as so appearing is hereby amended by adding  
9 the following paragraph:-

10           Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the excise imposed upon sales for capital  
11 investment to a small business by any vendor, or services performed in the commonwealth for  
12 capital investment shall be imposed at the following rates: (1) sales or services from \$91,000 to  
13 no more than \$180,000 shall be taxed at 6 per cent of the receipt from such sale or service; (2)  
14 sales or services greater than \$180,000 to no more than \$270,000 shall be taxed at 5.75 per cent  
15 of the receipt from such sale or service; (3) sales or services greater than \$270,000 shall be taxed  
16 at 5.5 per cent of the receipt from such sale or service.