

HOUSE No. 3605

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Joseph R. Driscoll, Jr.

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 allowing for the granting of tax abatements for certain military personnel.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Joseph R. Driscoll, Jr.	5th Norfolk
Barbara A. L'Italien	18th Essex
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester
Allen J. McCarthy	7th Plymouth
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Jennifer M. Callahan	18th Worcester
Robert L. Hedlund	Plymouth and Norfolk
Michael F. Rush	10th Suffolk
Brian A. Joyce	Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth
Kathi-Anne Reinstein	16th Suffolk

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT ALLOWING FOR THE GRANTING OF TAX ABATEMENTS FOR CERTAIN MILITARY PERSONNEL.

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.** Upon the acceptance of this section by a city or town, the board of assessors may
2 grant, retroactive to fiscal year 2002, real and personal property tax abatement up to 100% of the total tax
3 assessed to members of the Massachusetts National Guard and to reservists on active duty in foreign
4 countries for the fiscal year they performed such service subject to eligibility criteria to be established by
5 the board of assessors.
- 6 The authority to grant abatements under this act shall expire after 2 years of adoption unless extended by
7 a vote of the city or town.