

HOUSE No. 03839

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND ELEVEN

December 7, 2011

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

Pursuant to the provisions of Article II, Section 8, Paragraph 1, Clause (2) of the Amendments to the Constitution, as amended by Article LXXXIX, I am filing for your consideration the attached legislation entitled, “An Act Relative to the Recertification of the Fiscal Year 2012 Tax Rate in the Town of Acushnet.”

Senator Montigny, Representative Koczera and the Acushnet Board of Selectmen have requested that I file this special legislation to allow the Department of Revenue to recertify the Town’s fiscal year 2012 tax rate, as approved by the Board of Selectmen. For over a decade, the Board has approved a split tax rate, under which commercial properties bear a slightly higher percentage tax burden than their residential neighbors. Due to a clerical error, the split tax rate in favor of residential taxpayers that was transmitted to and ultimately certified by DOR was 1.1% instead of the 1.2% rate approved by the Town. The enactment of this legislation will correct this error and enable the Town to issue its tax bills expediently and avoid a negative impact on its fiscal year 2012 budget and cash flow.

I urge your early and favorable consideration of this bill.

Respectfully submitted,

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PRESENTED BY:

Tim Murray

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 authorizing the recertification of the fiscal year 2012 tax rate in the town of Acushnet.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

| DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

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An Act authorizing the recertification of the fiscal year 2012 tax rate in the town of Acushnet.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

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