The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael R. Knapik

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 to establish a sales tax retention allowance..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Michael R. Knapik	Second Hampden and Hampshire
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Thomas P. Kennedy	Second Plymouth and Bristol

SENATE No. 01476

By Mr. Knapik, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1476) of Tarr, Kennedy and Knapik for legislation to establish a sales tax retention allowance [Joint Committee on Revenue].

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE , NO. 1294 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act to establish a sales tax retention allowance..

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 5 of chapter 64H of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following: - All vendors that collect sales tax shall be entitled to retain an amount equal to two per centum of the total amount 3 of sales tax collected in any one calendar year. The total amount so retained in any calendar year 4 by any one vendor, when combined with use taxes retained as provided in section 6 of chapter 5 64I, shall not exceed two thousand dollars. The vendor shall retain these amounts by deducting 6 not more than two per centum of the sales tax collected during the standard reporting period. 7 Upon reaching the annual maximum retention amount, the vendor shall not be entitled to deduct 8 any further amount from collected sales taxes until the beginning of the next calendar year. 9

SECTION 2. Section 6 of chapter 64I of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008
Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following: -

12 All vendors that collect use tax shall be entitled to retain an amount equal to two per centum of 13 the total amount of use tax collected in any one calendar year. The total amount so retained in 14 any calendar year by any one vendor, when combined with sales taxes retained as provided in 15 Section 5 of chapter 64H, shall not exceed two thousand dollars. The vendor shall not be entitled 16 to deduct any further amounts from collected use taxes until the beginning of the next calendar 17 year.

18 SECTION 3. The act shall take effect on January one, two thousand and eleven.