SENATE . . . . No. 1503

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John F. Keenan

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 relative to deeds excise receipts.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
John F. Keenan	*Norfolk and Plymouth*
Garrett J. Bradley	*3rd Plymouth*
Robert M. Koczera	*11th Bristol*
Angelo L. D'Emilia	*8th Plymouth*
Josh S. Cutler	*6th Plymouth*
Claire D. Cronin	*11th Plymouth*
Mathew Muratore	*1st Plymouth*
Susan Williams Gifford	*2nd Plymouth*
Thomas J. Calter	*12th Plymouth*
Keiko M. Orrall	*12th Bristol*
Michael D. Brady	*9th Plymouth*
Patricia A. Haddad	*5th Bristol*
James M. Cantwell	*4th Plymouth*
Randy Hunt	*5th Barnstable*

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By Mr. Keenan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1503) of John F. Keenan, Garrett J. Bradley, Robert M. Koczera, Angelo L. D'Emilia and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to deeds excise receipts. Revenue.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)

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An Act relative to deeds excise receipts.

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. Chapter 64D of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after

2 section 1 the following section:-

3   Section 1A. (a) Notwithstanding any other general or special law to the contrary, the

4 counties of Bristol, Dukes, Nantucket, Norfolk and Plymouth shall retain twenty percent of all

5 deeds excise receipts received on or after July 1, 2015, in addition to the amounts of deeds excise

6 receipts retained by said counties pursuant to any other statute or regulation. Such funds shall be

7 deposited to the General Fund of the county, and shall be disbursed and expended for meeting

8 the costs of the operation and maintenance of the county, or retained by the county for such

9 future use.

10   (b) Notwithstanding any other general or special law to the contrary, the county of

11 Barnstable shall retain seven and one-half percent of all deeds excise receipts received pursuant

12 to this chapter on or after July 1, 2015, in addition to the amounts of deeds excise receipts

13 retained by said county pursuant to any other statute or regulation. Such funds shall be deposited

14 to the General Fund of the county, and shall be disbursed and expended for meeting the costs of

15 the operation and maintenance of the county, or retained by the county for such future use.

16   SECTION 2. Chapter 64D of the General Laws is hereby further amended by inserting

17 after section 11 the following section:-

18   Section 11A. Each register of deeds in whose county or registry district a regional council

19 of governments has been established under section 567 of chapter 151 of the acts of 1996 or

20 under section 20 of chapter 34B of the General Laws shall on or before the tenth day of the

21 month transmit to the treasury of said regional council of governments that portion of twenty

22 percent of deeds excise receipts received during the preceding calendar month as represents the

23 quotient of the total property valuation of the regional council of government's member cities

24 and towns as may be situated within said county or registry district divided by the total of the

25 county or registry district value according to the most recent equalization and apportionment

26 reported by the commissioner of revenue to the general court pursuant to section 10cof chapter

27 58 of the General Laws. Such funds shall be disbursed and expended for meeting the costs of the

28 operation and maintenance of the regional council of governments, or retained by the regional

29 council of governments for future use.

30   SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.