SENATE No. 1593

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Patrick M. O'Connor

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 establishing a tax credit for small businesses.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
Patrick M. O'Connor	Plymouth and Norfolk	
Donald F. Humason, Jr.	Second Hampden and Hampshire	1/30/2017
Ryan C. Fattman	Worcester and Norfolk	2/1/2017

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By Mr. O'Connor, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1593) of Patrick M. O'Connor, Donald F. Humason, Jr. and Ryan C. Fattman for legislation to establish a tax credit for small bussinesses. Revenue.

The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court (2017-2018)

An Act establishing a tax credit 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. Chapter 62 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
- 2 section 6 the following section:—
- Section $6\frac{1}{2}$. (a) As used in this section the following words shall, unless the context
- 4 clearly requires otherwise, have the following meanings:—
- 5 "Department", the department of revenue. "Small Business", a sole proprietorship,
- 6 partnership, limited liability company, corporate trust, corporation or other business, including
- 7 its affiliates that is: (i) independently owned and operated, (ii) not dominant in the field of
- 8 operation in which it is bidding on government contracts, (iii) qualifies as a small business under
- 9 the criteria and size standards of the Small Business Administration regulations and (iv) is under
- 10 500 employees in the manufacturing and mining industries or under 100 employees for all
- wholesale trade industries or does under \$6 million of business annually for retail and service
- industries or does under \$28.5 million of business annually for general & heavy construction

industries or does under \$12 million of business annually for all special trade contractors and under \$0.75 million of business for agricultural industries "Creditable amount", the monetary amount actually paid by a small business to provide gasoline or diesel for vehicles either owned by company or driven by employees in the normal course of business.

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- 17 (b) There is hereby established a credit against the tax liability imposed by this chapter 18 for small businesses to be known as the "Small Business Tax Credit".
 - (c) The amount of the "Small Business Tax Credit" shall be up to 15 per cent of the creditable amount purchased in the taxable year.
 - (d) The commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations relative to the administration and enforcement of this section.