To the Honorable Senate

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The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts
The Communication of Massathuseus
PRESENTED BY:
Joseph R. Driscoll, Jr.
Ionorable 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

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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:

SECTION 1. Upon the acceptance of this section by a city or town, the board of assessors may grant, retroactive to fiscal year 2002, real and personal property tax abatement up to 100% of the total tax assessed to members of the Massachusetts National Guard and to reservists on active duty in foreign countries for the fiscal year they performed such service subject to eligibility criteria to be established by the board of assessors.

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7 The authority to grant abatements under this act shall expire after 2 years of adoption unless extended 8 by a vote of the city or town.