

**SENATE . . . . . No.**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Morrissey, Michael (SEN)**

*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 relative to equitable payment in lieu of taxes.**

PETITION OF:

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| NAME:                    | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:    |
| Morrissey, Michael (SEN) | Norfolk and Plymouth |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. S01763 OF 2007-2008.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO EQUITABLE PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES.

*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 58 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended by adding the following section: -

3   SECTION 17A.       The department of revenue shall establish reasonable levels of payment in  
4 lieu of taxes for cities and towns that severally border lands owned by the commonwealth for the  
5 purposes named in section 13. The department of revenue shall establish a formula based on  
6 factors which determine the property's value including but not limited to municipal zoning  
7 designation, such as open space, commercial, or residential, for the purpose of equitably  
8 distributing funds under the previous section.