SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mr. Galluccio

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 provide for a corporate tax deduction to allow businesses to provide home energy efficiency audits to employees as a benefit of employment.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Mr. Galluccio	Middlesex, Suffolk and Essex
Thomas M. Meninio	Mayor of Boston

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A CORPORATE TAX DEDUCTION TO ALLOW BUSINESSES TO PROVIDE HOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY AUDITS TO EMPLOYEES AS A BENEFIT OF EMPLOYMENT.

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 63 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is
- 2 hereby amended by inserting after Section 38T the following new section:-
- 3 Section 38U. Home Energy Efficiency Audit Employee Benefit; deduction
- 4 In determining the net income subject to tax under this chapter, a domestic or foreign business
- 5 corporation, at its election, may deduct one-half of the expenditures paid or incurred during the
- 6 taxable year with respect to providing employees as a benefit of employment the combined
- 7 services of an energy auditor conducting an analytically rigorous home audit to identify areas of
- 8 energy loss with a home contractor providing on-site implementation of efficiency measures
- 9 defined as "Level 1" home energy rating systems work by the Residential Energy Services
- Network (RESNET) of the National Association of State Energy Officials; provided one-half the
- expenditures incurred with respect to providing the combined energy auditor/home contractor
- services be made pursuant to an energy efficiency plan approved by the Department of Public
- 13 Utilities pursuant to chapter twenty five, section 19 and chapter twenty five A, section 11G.