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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Aaron Vega

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:

An Act relative to reducing tax burden on property owners.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Aaron Vega	*5th Hampden*
Cory Atkins	*14th Middlesex*
Danielle W. Gregoire	*4th Middlesex*
Paul R. Heroux	*2nd Bristol*
Michael R. Knapik	*Second Hampden and Hampshire*
Kevin J. Kuros	*8th Worcester*
Brian R. Mannal	*2nd Barnstable*
Bruce E. Tarr	*First Essex and Middlesex*

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By Mr. Vega of Holyoke, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2754) of Aaron Vega and others for legislation to provide tax relief for persons suffering hardships due to public works projects or actions taken by municipal utility companies. Revenue.

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An Act relative to reducing tax burden on property owners.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

That Section 5 of chapter 59 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended to include the following:

Upon the acceptance of this section by a city or town, the board of assessors may grant, real and personal property tax abatement up to 50 per cent of the total tax assessed to owners who are able to prove a hardship caused by a public works project, or by actions taken by a municipal utility company. Any such abatement would expire when work on the project has concluded, or after no more than two consecutive years.