

SENATE No. 1902

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 relative to adopting the new market tax credits program for Massachusetts.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Patrick M. O'Connor

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Plymouth and Norfolk

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By Mr. O'Connor, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1902) of Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation to adopt the new market tax credits program for Massachusetts. Revenue.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1959 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to adopting the new market tax credits program for Massachusetts.

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

1 The Joint Committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies is
2 authorized and directed to study the benefits of establishing a New Markets Tax Credit program
3 in Massachusetts similar to the existing federal New Markets Tax Credit program (26 U.S.C.
4 §45D). The study shall evaluate the potential benefits arising from a Massachusetts New Markets
5 Tax Credit program that would enable participating community development entities to make
6 business loans to, and other investments in, low-income community businesses to promote the
7 creation or maintenance of permanent jobs, construction jobs, the provision of services and
8 benefits to low-income community residents, and other potential positive community impacts for
9 Massachusetts low-income communities. The study shall review the success of similar state new
10 market tax credit programs already in operation in 14 other states that between 2003 through
11 2012 have created more than 500,000 jobs and generated more than \$5.3 billion in federal

12 income tax revenue and more than \$3 billion in state and local tax revenues, evaluate how the
13 creation of a Massachusetts New Markets Tax Credit program would attract private capital to
14 and promote economic development in Massachusetts low-income communities, and take other
15 relevant considerations into account. The study shall be completed no later than July 1, 2024.