

HOUSE No. 3179

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jay R. Kaufman

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 requiring appropriation bills to include estimated amounts for the following fiscal year.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Jay R. Kaufman

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

15th Middlesex

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By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3179) of Jay R. Kaufman for legislation to require estimated amounts of appropriations for a subsequent fiscal year on appropriation bills. Ways and Means.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3217 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act requiring appropriation bills to include estimated amounts for the following fiscal year.

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. The first paragraph of section 6D of chapter 29 of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the first sentence the
3 following sentence:- In addition, each such appropriation proposed by the governor or enacted by
4 the general court shall include in numeric figures the estimated amount of that appropriation for
5 the fiscal year following the fiscal year for which it is made, but that estimated amount is only
6 for planning purposes and does not constitute an authorization to expend.

7 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015.