The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas A. Golden, Jr.

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 establishing a special commission to study the efficacy of funding the construction of public safety buildings through the sales tax.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Thomas A. Golden, Jr.	16th Middlesex	1/15/2015
Rady Mom	18th Middlesex	1/24/2015
David M. Nangle	17th Middlesex	12/30/2019
Michael O. Moore	Second Worcester	12/30/2019
Robert M. Koczera	11th Bristol	12/30/2019
Shawn Dooley	9th Norfolk	12/30/2019
Barbara A. L'Italien	Second Essex and Middlesex	12/30/2019
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex	12/30/2019
James Arciero	2nd Middlesex	12/30/2019
Colleen M. Garry	36th Middlesex	12/30/2019

HOUSE No. 3505

By Mr. Golden of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3505) of Thomas A. Golden, Jr., and others for legislation to establish a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to funding the construction of public safety buildings through the sales tax. Revenue.

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

An Act establishing a special commission to study the efficacy of funding the construction of public safety buildings through the sales tax.

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

There shall be a special commission established pursuant to section 2A of chapter 4 of
the General Laws to study the efficacy of funding the construction of public safety buildings
through the sales tax. The commission shall consist of 2 members of the house of
representatives, 1 of whom shall be nominated by the minority leader, 2 members of the senate, 1

5 of whom shall be nominated by the minority leader, the commissioner of public safety or a

6 designee, the commissioner of revenue, the director of the department of labor relations and 4

members to be appointed by the governor, 1 of whom shall be a representative of the

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8 Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association Incorporated and 1 of whom shall be a representative

from the Professional Fire Fighters of Massachusetts. The members of the commission may elect

a member to serve as chair. As part of its study and investigation, the commission shall review

the efficacy of the Massachusetts School Building Authority's dedicated revenue stream

- 12 allocated from the sales tax. Further, the commission shall compare the needs of constructing or
- 13 renovating public safety buildings in the commonwealth with the goals and purposes of the
- 14 Massachusetts School Building Authority. The commission shall recommend a percentage of the
- sales tax to be dedicated to such funding and provide reasons for such recommendation.