

HOUSE No. 2526**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, 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 relative to helping seniors..

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i> | <i>20th Middlesex</i> | <i>1/20/2011</i> |
| <i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i> | <i>4th Hampden</i> | <i>1/27/2011</i> |
| <i>Geoff Diehl</i> | <i>7th Plymouth</i> | <i>2/2/2011</i> |
| <i>F. Jay Barrows</i> | <i>1st Bristol</i> | <i>2/2/2011</i> |
| <i>Shaunna O'Connell</i> | <i>3rd Bristol</i> | <i>2/2/2011</i> |
| <i>Susan Williams Gifford</i> | <i>2nd Plymouth</i> | <i>2/2/2011</i> |
| <i>George T. Ross</i> | <i>2nd Bristol</i> | <i>2/3/2011</i> |
| <i>Todd M. Smola</i> | <i>1st Hampden</i> | <i>2/3/2011</i> |
| <i>Kevin J. Kuros</i> | <i>8th Worcester</i> | <i>2/3/2011</i> |
| <i>Sheila C. Harrington</i> | <i>1st Middlesex</i> | <i>2/3/2011</i> |
| <i>Steven L. Levy</i> | <i>4th Middlesex</i> | <i>2/4/2011</i> |
| <i>Paul K. Frost</i> | <i>7th Worcester</i> | <i>2/4/2011</i> |
| <i>Steven S. Howitt</i> | <i>4th Bristol</i> | <i>2/4/2011</i> |
| <i>Viriato Manuel deMacedo</i> | <i>1st Plymouth</i> | <i>2/3/2011</i> |
| <i>George N. Peterson, Jr.</i> | <i>9th Worcester</i> | <i>2/4/2011</i> |
| <i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i> | <i>14th Bristol</i> | <i>1/21/2011</i> |

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2526) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others for legislation to include home heating costs in the calculation of tax credits for senior citizens. Revenue.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2782 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to helping seniors..

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. Subsection (k) of section 6 of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as most
2 recently amended by Section 101 of Chapter 359 of the Acts of 2010, is hereby amended by
3 inserting after the word “commissioner.”, in line 330, the following:-

4 The real estate tax payment to be considered for purposes of calculating this credit shall
5 also include 25 percent of the owner’s home heating oil, natural gas, or propane, actually paid in
6 the taxable year for which the credit is sought.

7 SECTION 2. Subsection (k) of said section 6 of said chapter 62 of the General Laws, as
8 so appearing, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word “thereof.”, in line 334, the
9 following sentence:-

10 The rent constituting real estate tax payment to be considered for purposes of calculating
11 this credit shall also include 25 percent of the owner's home heating oil, natural gas, or propane,
12 actually paid in the taxable year for which the credit is sought.