SENATE No. 1351

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Brian A. Joyce

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 a senior property tax credit.

PETITION OF:

NAME: DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Brian A. Joyce Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth

FILED ON: 1/17/2013

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By Mr. Joyce, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1351) of Brian A. Joyce for legislation relative to senior property tax credit. Revenue.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 1465 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to a senior property tax credit.

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

Subsection (k) of section 6 of chapter 62 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out clause (2) and inserting in place thereof the following clause:-

(2) An owner or tenant of residential property located in the commonwealth, who is 65 years of age or older, who is not a dependent of another taxpayer and who occupies said property as his principal residence, shall be allowed a credit equal to the amount by which the real estate tax payment or the rent constituting real estate tax payment exceeds 8 per cent of the taxpayer's total income, but the credit shall not exceed \$1,000.