

HOUSE No. 3867

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Marjorie C. Decker

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 the tax status of certain land owned by a housing authority within the city of Cambridge.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>	<i>11/17/2015</i>
<i>Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.</i>	<i>26th Middlesex</i>	<i>11/17/2015</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>	<i>11/18/2015</i>
<i>Jay D. Livingstone</i>	<i>8th Suffolk</i>	<i>11/18/2015</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>	<i>11/18/2015</i>
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>	<i>11/18/2015</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>	<i>11/18/2015</i>
<i>Anthony W. Petruccelli</i>	<i>First Suffolk and Middlesex</i>	<i>11/18/2015</i>

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By Ms. Decker of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3867) of Marjorie C. Decker and others (with the approval of the city council) relative to the tax status of certain land owned by a housing authority within the city of Cambridge. Revenue. [Local Approval Received.]

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

An Act relative to the tax status of certain land owned by a housing authority within the city of Cambridge.

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

1 As used in this act, the following words shall have the following meanings:

2 SECTION 1. "Cambridge Housing Authority", a public body politic and corporate
3 created within the City of Cambridge pursuant to Section 3 of Chapter 121B of the General Laws
4 or corresponding provisions of earlier laws.

5 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 16 of Chapter 121B of the
6 General Laws, or any other general or special law relative to the tax status of certain land owned
7 by the Cambridge Housing Authority within the City of Cambridge, where the Cambridge
8 Housing Authority sells or transfers ownership of buildings or other structures on land owned by
9 it in the City of Cambridge to an entity created by it for the purpose of rehabilitation, repair,
10 development or redevelopment of low and moderate income housing in the City Cambridge
11 undertaken or assisted pursuant to state or federal legislation or resources, including a state or

12 federal low income housing tax credit program, such land, buildings or other structures shall be
13 deemed to be public property used for essential governmental purposes and shall be exempt from
14 taxation and subject to the payment in lieu of taxes as provided in this section, provided such
15 land is owned by the Cambridge Housing Authority and the land, buildings or other structures
16 are used for the purposes of providing low and moderate income housing.

17 SECTION 3. If any provision of this Act or the application of such provision to any
18 person or circumstance shall be held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this Act and the
19 applicability of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

20 SECTION 4. The provisions of this Act shall be effective immediately upon passage.