

SENATE No. 1906

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jason M. Lewis

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 resolution:

Resolutions Budget For All.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael J. Barrett</i>	<i>Third Middlesex</i>
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>
<i>Thomas M. McGee</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>
<i>Daniel A. Wolf</i>	<i>Cape and Islands</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>
<i>Jay D. Livingstone</i>	<i>8th Suffolk</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Anthony W. Petruccelli</i>	<i>First Suffolk and Middlesex</i>
<i>Linda Dorcena Forry</i>	<i>First Suffolk</i>

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By Mr. Lewis, a petition (accompanied by resolution, Senate, No. 1906) of Jason M. Lewis, Michael J. Barrett, Patricia D. Jehlen, Ruth B. Balser and other members of the General Court for the adoption of resolutions to amend the federal budget. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

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

Resolutions Budget For All.

1 Whereas Federal Budget decisions will affect the public good for years to come; and

2 Whereas budget decisions made in Washington have a profound effect on the people of
3 the Commonwealth; and

4 Whereas on November 6, 2012 voters in 91 cities and towns across Massachusetts have
5 by large margins expressed their support for a “Budget for All” non-binding public policy
6 question with the below provisions, and have urged their elected state officials to address
7 Congress and the President on their behalf;

8 Therefore be it resolved that the Massachusetts [Senate] [House of Representatives]
9 hereby calls upon Congress and the President to:

10 1. Prevent cuts to Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, and Veterans benefits, or to
11 housing, food and unemployment assistance;

12 2. Create and protect jobs by investing in manufacturing, schools, housing, renewable
13 energy, transportation and other public services;

14 3. Provide new revenues for these purposes and to reduce the long-term federal deficit by
15 closing corporate tax loopholes, ending offshore tax havens, and raising taxes on incomes over
16 \$250,000; and

17 4. Redirect military spending to these domestic needs by reducing the military budget,
18 ending the war in Afghanistan and bringing U.S. troops home safely now.