

HOUSE No. 3666

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 4, 2017.

The committee on Revenue to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1558) of Jay R. Kaufman and others relative to the collection and administration of all taxes imposed on remote sellers, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 3666) ought to pass.

For the committee,

JAY R. KAUFMAN.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act to promote sales tax fairness for main street retailers.

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. Chapter 62C of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting, after
2 section 26, the following section:-

3 Section 26A. The commissioner shall administer and enforce the assessment and
4 collection of the taxes and penalties imposed under chapters 64H and 64I, including the
5 collection and administration of all taxes imposed on remote sellers.

6 The commissioner shall take such administrative actions as are necessary to comply with
7 any law enacted by the Congress of the United States that requires states to simplify the
8 collection of sales and use taxes for remote sellers, including but not limited to applicable
9 requirements relating to: (i) providing adequate software and services to remote sellers and
10 single and consolidated providers, which identifies the applicable destination rate to be applied to
11 sales that the commonwealth taxes under chapter 64H or 64I; (ii) providing certification
12 procedures for both single providers and consolidated providers to make software and services
13 available to remote sellers; (iii) ensuring that no more than one audit be performed or required

14 for all state and local taxing jurisdictions within the commonwealth; and (iv) requiring that no
15 more than one sales and use tax return per month be filed with the department of revenue by any
16 remote seller or any single or consolidated provider on behalf of such remote seller.

17 The procurement rules in chapter 30B shall not apply to the certification process for
18 software providers.

19 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding any general or special law, if a federal law is enacted that
20 authorizes states to require remote sellers to collect sales and use taxes, then the commonwealth
21 shall, as permitted by such federal legislation, require collection of sales and use tax by any
22 remote seller, or a single or consolidated provider acting on behalf of a remote seller. The
23 commissioner shall establish rules and regulations relating to the assessment, collection and
24 enforcement of this tax.