

SENATE No. 1653

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 to promote civic engagement in setting the income tax rate.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Ryan C. Fattman</i>	<i>Worcester and Norfolk</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>	<i>3/3/2017</i>

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1653) of Bruce E. Tarr and Ryan C. Fattman for legislation to promote civic engagement in setting the income tax rate. Revenue.

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

An Act to promote civic engagement in setting the income tax rate.

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 (b) of section 4 of chapter 62 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by inserting at the end thereof the following sentence:- “Part B taxable income shall not
3 be taxed at a rate of more than 5.2 per cent unless said rate is approved by the initiative petition
4 process provided for in Articles XLVIII, LXXIV and LXXXI of the Amendments of the
5 Massachusetts Constitution.”