SENATE No. 1664

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James E. Timilty

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 small business gas tax credit.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:James E. TimiltyBristol and Norfolk

FILED ON: 1/17/2017

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By Mr. Timilty, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1664) of James E. Timilty for legislation relative to a small business gas tax credit. Revenue.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 1605 OF 2015-2016.]

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

An Act relative to a small business gas tax credit.

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

- SECTION 1. Chapter 62 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
- 2 section 6 the following section:—
- Section $6\frac{1}{2}$. (a) As used in this section the following words shall, unless the context
- 4 clearly requires otherwise, have the following meanings:—
- 5 "Department", the department of revenue. "Small Business", a sole proprietorship,
- 6 partnership, limited liability company, corporate trust, corporation or other business, including
- 7 its affiliates that is: (i) independently owned and operated, (ii) not dominant in the field of
- 8 operation in which it is bidding on government contracts, (iii) qualifies as a small business under
- 9 the criteria and size standards of the Small Business Administration regulations and (iv) is under
- 10 500 employees in the manufacturing and mining industries or under 100 employees for all

wholesale trade industries or does under \$6 million of business annually for retail and service industries or does under \$28.5 million of business annually for general & heavy construction industries or does under \$12 million of business annually for all special trade contractors and under \$0.75 million of business for agricultural industries "Creditable amount", the monetary amount actually paid by a small business to provide gasoline or diesel for vehicles either owned by company or driven by employees in the normal course of business.

- (b) There is hereby established a credit against the tax liability imposed by this chapter for small businesses to be known as the "Small Business Tax Credit".
- (c) The amount of the "Small Business Tax Credit" shall be up to 15 per cent of the creditable amount purchased in the taxable year.
- 21 (d) The commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations relative to the 22 administration and enforcement of this section.