HOUSE No. 2553

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul W. Mark

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 employer student loan contribution.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Paul W. Mark	2nd Berkshire	1/15/2019
Brian M. Ashe	2nd Hampden	2/1/2019
Mindy Domb	3rd Hampshire	1/30/2019
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex	2/1/2019
James K. Hawkins	2nd Bristol	2/2/2019
Stephan Hay	3rd Worcester	1/30/2019
Daniel J. Hunt	13th Suffolk	1/29/2019
Eric P. Lesser	First Hampden and Hampshire	2/1/2019
Jason M. Lewis	Fifth Middlesex	1/23/2019
Brian W. Murray	10th Worcester	1/30/2019
José F. Tosado	9th Hampden	2/1/2019
Susannah M. Whipps	2nd Franklin	1/29/2019

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By Mr. Mark of Peru, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2553) of Paul W. Mark and others relative to employer student loan contribution tax deductions. Revenue.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court (2019-2020)

An Act relative to employer student loan contribution.

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: (a) An employer shall be permitted a deduction against the taxes imposed
- 2 pursuant to chapter 63 of the General Laws for student loan payment assistance made to
- 3 employees. The deduction allowed under this section applies only to student loans incurred by a
- 4 qualified employee while attending an accredited institution of higher education, for principal or
- 5 interest on a qualified education loan, as defined by sec. 221 of the Code.
- 6 (b) The employer is permitted a tax deduction not to exceed \$3,600.00 per
- 7 qualified employee in any tax year for which the employer makes student loan payment
- 8 assistance directly to the employee or to the qualified loan holder on behalf of the employee.
- 9 (c) Monies received by the employee from the employer for student loan payment
- assistance shall not be considered taxable income under Ch. 62, Sec 3 of the General Laws.