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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul Brodeur

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 municipal snow and ice removal budgets.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Paul Brodeur	*32nd Middlesex*	*1/18/2019*
Jason M. Lewis	*Fifth Middlesex*	*2/1/2019*

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By Mr. Brodeur of Melrose, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3786) of Paul Brodeur and Jason M. Lewis relative to municipal snow and ice removal budgets. Revenue.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to municipal snow and ice removal budgets.

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. The first paragraph of section 31D of chapter 44 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “rate”, in line 8, the following words:- ; provided, however, that a municipality that has accepted paragraph (o) of section 21C of chapter 59 may include such expenditures in any of the next 3 annual tax rates.

SECTION 2. Section 21C of chapter 59 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

(o) A city or town that accepts this paragraph may assess taxes in excess of the amount otherwise allowed by this section solely for payment, in whole or in part, of snow and ice removal expenses; provided, that for each year a city or town assesses taxes in excess of the amount otherwise allowed by this section for payment of snow and ice removal expenses pursuant to this paragraph, said city or town shall appropriate in their annual budget a sum which

is at least or greater than the average actual cost to that municipality for snow and ice removal over the last 5 years.