HOUSE No. 2002

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 commission sales rates.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex	2/5/2021
Susan Williams Gifford	2nd Plymouth	2/25/2021
Paul K. Frost	7th Worcester	3/11/2021
Mathew J. Muratore	1st Plymouth	3/24/2021
Steven S. Howitt	4th Bristol	4/7/2021

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2002) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others for legislation to establish a special commission (including members of the General Court) to study issues relative to commission sales rates. Labor and Workforce Development.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court (2021-2022)

An Act relative to commission sales rates.

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. There shall be a special task force to review and report on the economic 2 impact of sales commission rate structures to ensure fairness, transparency, and equality in the 3 payment for commissioned workers in the Commonwealth. The task force shall consist of 9 4 members: the house and senate chairs of the joint committees on labor and workforce 5 development economic development and emerging technologies, or their designees, who shall 6 serve as the co-chairs of the task force; a member of the general court appointed by the senate 7 minority leader; a member of the general court appointed by the house minority leader; the 8 executive director of the Massachusetts Workforce Development Board, or a designee; the 9 Massachusetts attorney general, or a designee; and 3 persons to be appointed by the secretary of 10 labor and workforce development, 1 of whom shall be an employee of the commonwealth in the 11 office of the secretary of labor and workforce development, 2 of whom shall be selected from a 12 list of 5 persons nominated by the Massachusetts Business Roundtable.

The task force shall: (i) identify and review the state laws, regulations, and administrative directives that are related to commission sales rates; (ii) identify the key labor sectors that would best benefit from a review and improvement to sales commission rates; (iii) require the department of labor and workforce development to create a report based on a customized survey of companies within the commonwealth who employ commission-based employees; and (iv) develop recommendations to establish legislative procedures to provide and regulate commission rate income in Massachusetts.

The task force shall submit a report, including any draft legislation and regulations, to the clerks of the house of representatives and the senate within 12 months of the passage of this act.