

HOUSE No. 3680

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul McMurtry

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 tax notification for veterans.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Paul McMurtry</i> | <i>11th Norfolk</i> | <i>2/18/2021</i> |
| <i>Marcos A. Devers</i> | <i>16th Essex</i> | <i>2/18/2021</i> |
| <i>David F. DeCoste</i> | <i>5th Plymouth</i> | <i>2/19/2021</i> |
| <i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i> | <i>4th Plymouth</i> | <i>2/22/2021</i> |

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By Mr. McMurtry of Dedham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3680) of Paul McMurtry and others relative to the publishing of the names of veterans on certain municipal tax lists. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3224 OF 2019-2020.]

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

An Act relative to tax notification for veterans.

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. Chapter 60 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
2 section 35 the following section:-

3 Section 35A. (a) No municipality shall publish or cause to be published the name, or
4 other individually identifying information, of a veteran still owing a tax pursuant to this chapter
5 after it has become due and payable.

6 (b) A municipality may communicate through the municipality’s veterans’ agent in order
7 to provide notice and information related to a tax due and payable under this chapter to the
8 veteran owing such tax.

9 SECTION 2. Section 21 of chapter 62C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
10 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “taxpayers”, in line 70, the
11 following words:- ; provided, however, that the name and address of a veteran shall not be
12 published as part of said list.