

**SENATE . . . . . No. 3114**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Barry R. Finegold***

*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 authorizing the increase of a tax exemption for eligible seniors in the town of Tewksbury.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Barry R. Finegold</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Tram T. Nguyen</i>	<i>18th Essex</i>	<i>9/30/2022</i>

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By Mr. Finegold, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 3114) of Barry R. Finegold (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the increase of a tax exemption for eligible seniors in the town of Tewksbury. Revenue. [Local approval received]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act authorizing the increase of a tax exemption for eligible seniors in the town of Tewksbury.

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

1           Notwithstanding the provisions of the first paragraph of clause seventeenth D of section 5  
2 of chapter 59 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the town of  
3 Tewksbury may grant an exemption pursuant to said clause seventeenth D in the amount of  
4 \$500; provided, however, that the town of Tewksbury may decrease the minimum age of  
5 eligibility for such an exemption from the age of seventy to the age of sixty-five; provided,  
6 further, that the town may increase the whole estate limit, real and personal, for such an  
7 exemption from forty thousand dollars to fifty-five thousand dollars; provided, further, that  
8 following the enactment of this act, the Tewksbury board of selectmen may vote annually to  
9 increase such exemption to an amount in excess of \$500 and increase the whole estate limit, real  
10 and personal, in excess of fifty-five thousand dollars; provided, further, that such vote shall not  
11 increase the exemption amount or the whole estate limit by more than 5% annually relative to the  
12 most recent amount or limit established in the preceding year; and provided further, that the

13 provisions of the second paragraph of said clause seventeenth D shall apply mutatis mutandis to  
14 this act.