HOUSE No. 2873

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kate Lipper-Garabedian

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 encouraging employer student loan repayment.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:DATE ADDED:Kate Lipper-Garabedian32nd Middlesex1/20/2023

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By Representative Lipper-Garabedian of Melrose, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2873) of Kate Lipper-Garabedian for legislation to establish an employer student loan repayment tax credit. Revenue.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 2985 OF 2021-2022.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court (2023-2024)

An Act encouraging employer student loan repayment.

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. Subsection (d) of section 2 of chapter 62 of the General Laws, appearing in
- 2 the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subclause (I), the following
- 3 subclause:-
- 4 (J) An amount equal to the principal payments on education debts paid by an employer
- 5 on behalf of an employee who is a resident of the commonwealth; provided, however, that the
- 6 amount of the deduction shall not exceed \$2,000. For purposes of this subclause, "education
- 7 debt" shall have the same meaning as defined in paragraph (12) of subsection (a) of Part B of
- 8 section 3.

SECTION 2. Chapter 63 of the General Laws, as appearing the 2020 Official Edition, shall hereby be amended by inserting after section 38JJ the following new section:-

Section 38KK. (a) For the purposes of this section, "education debt" shall have the same meaning as defined in paragraph (12) of subsection (a) of Part B of section 3 of chapter 62.

(b) In determining the net income subject to tax under this chapter, a business corporation shall be allowed a deduction of an amount equal to the principal payments on education debts paid by the business corporation on behalf of an employee who is a resident of the commonwealth; provided however, that the deduction taken for payments on education debts paid on behalf of any individual employee shall not exceed \$2,000.