

HOUSE No. 4870

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, July 17, 2024.

The committee on Revenue, to whom were recommitted the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4458) of Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., and Bud L. Williams relative to real estate tax abatements for certain blind persons, the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1861) of Jason M. Lewis and Michael J. Barrett for legislation to promote healthy alternatives to sugary drinks; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1877) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation to clarify occupancy excise and internet hotel room resellers; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1905) of Patrick M. O'Connor and Mathew J. Muratore for legislation to establish a local option to exempt fishermen from property taxes; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2421) of Julian Cyr and Sarah K. Peake (by vote of the town) for legislation to expand the exemption for residential property in the town of Wellfleet; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2705) of Bruce J. Ayers relative to providing a tax deduction of health insurance payments from gross income for self-employed individuals; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2739) of Michelle L. Ciccolo relative to providing for a local option transportation excise tax on large employers; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2857) of Sally P. Kerans relative to regional assessment values for Beverly airport land in the town of Danvers; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2859) of Kay Khan, Jon Santiago and others for legislation to impose an excise tax on distributors of certain drinks with added sugar and promoting healthy alternatives to such drinks; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2949) of Paul A. Schmid, III and Vanna Howard for legislation to create a twenty-five percent personal income tax credit for the purchase and installation of plants and landscaping items intended to reduce water usage; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2962) of Erika Uyterhoeven relative to the taxation of employee-owned businesses and cooperatives; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3660) of Mike Connolly, Lindsay N. Sabadosa and David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf for legislation to establish a local option empty homes tax on vacant units in residential buildings, reports recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 4870) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

MARK J. CUSACK.

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1 *Ordered,* That the committee on Revenue be authorized to sit during a recess of the
2 General Court to make an investigation and study of Senate documents numbered 1861, 1877,
3 1905 and 2421 and House documents numbered 2705, 2739, 2857, 2859, 2949, 2962, 3660 and
4 4458, relative to employers, local option tax and other revenue matters.

5 Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of its investigation and study
6 and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such
7 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the House of Representatives
8 on or before December 31, 2024.