

HOUSE No. 4790

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, February 9, 2026.

The committee on Community Development and Small Businesses, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 302) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others relative to housing production plans; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 303) of Kristin E. Kassner and Carmine Lawrence Gentile for program to assist cities and towns for the purpose of creating community development plans; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 308) of Todd M. Smola for legislation to establish an industrial mill building revitalization task force (including members of the General Court) to stimulate the re-development, rehabilitation and revitalization of industrial mill buildings and surrounding areas in the Commonwealth; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 314) of Bud L. Williams for legislation to establish the Western Massachusetts balanced sustainable development commission; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 316) of Steven George Xiarhos and Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr., for an investigation by a special committee on Massachusetts business competitiveness and affordable living, which shall be charged with oversight of matters to improve the ability of businesses, to form and thrive under law, and to lower the cost of living for residents and families, reports recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 4790) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

ANDRES X. VARGAS.

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1 *Ordered,* That the committee on Community Development and Small Businesses be
2 authorized to sit during a recess of the General Court to make an investigation and study of
3 House documents numbered 302, 303, 308, 314 and 316, relative to housing, development and
4 business competitiveness.

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, 2026.