

HOUSE No. 487

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 establishing a commission to study the financial relationship between Massachusetts entities and companies owned by the Chinese government.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i> | <i>20th Middlesex</i> | <i>1/14/2025</i> |
| <i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i> | <i>1st Worcester</i> | <i>1/15/2025</i> |
| <i>Paul K. Frost</i> | <i>7th Worcester</i> | <i>1/31/2025</i> |
| <i>Todd M. Smola</i> | <i>1st Hampden</i> | <i>3/10/2025</i> |
| <i>David F. DeCoste</i> | <i>5th Plymouth</i> | <i>1/28/2025</i> |
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| <i>Kelly W. Pease</i> | <i>4th Hampden</i> | <i>3/24/2025</i> |

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By Representative Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 487) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others relative to establishing a commission (including members of the General Court) to study the financial relationship between Massachusetts entities and companies owned by the Chinese government. Economic Development and Emerging Technologies.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 413 OF 2023-2024.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**
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An Act establishing a commission to study the financial relationship between Massachusetts entities and companies owned by the Chinese government.

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

- 1 For the purposes of this section, the following terms shall be defined as such:
- 2 “Massachusetts entity”, any corporation, business, limited liability company, association,
- 3 partnership, venture, state agency, K-12 school, institute of higher learning, or other organization
- 4 operating within the commonwealth.
- 5 “Chinese state-owned company”, any corporation, business, association, partnership,
- 6 venture, limited liability company, or other entity or business association owned fully or in part
- 7 by, or affiliated with, the government of China.

8 Notwithstanding any special or general law to the contrary, there shall be established a
9 special commission to study the financial relationship between Massachusetts entities and
10 Chinese state-owned companies. The commission shall identify Massachusetts-based assets held
11 by Chinese state-owned companies, ascertain the extent to which business operations conducted
12 by Chinese state-owned companies affect local industries, and assess the corresponding dangers
13 posed to the commonwealth's economic wellbeing and sovereignty.

14 The commission shall include the house and senate chairs of the joint committee on
15 economic development and emerging technologies, who shall serve as co-chairs; the house and
16 senate chairs of the joint committee on export development; the speaker of the house of
17 representatives or a designee; the president of the senate or a designee; the minority leader of the
18 house of representatives or a designee; the minority leader of the senate or a designee; the chair
19 of the House Asian Caucus or a designee; the secretary of the commonwealth or a designee; the
20 secretary of housing and economic development or a designee; the secretary of labor and
21 workforce development or a designee; the treasurer of the commonwealth or a designee; the state
22 auditor or a designee; the president of the University of Massachusetts system or a designee; and
23 1 member appointed by each of the following organizations: Massachusetts Association of
24 Realtors; Massachusetts Technology Leadership Council; Greater Boston Chamber of
25 Commerce; Massachusetts Bankers Association; and the Massachusetts Biotechnology Council.

26 The commission shall file a report with its findings and recommendations to the clerks of
27 the house and senate no later than December 31, 2027.