

HOUSE No. 5203

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 12, 2026.

The committee on Revenue, to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3005) of James Arciero and Peter Barbella relative to local taxes based on personal or business income instead of local real property taxes; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3011) of James C. Arena-DeRosa relative to delinquent municipal tax interest rates; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3088) of Michelle M. DuBois relative to creating a Chapter 62F calculations study group of fiscal harms caused by excluding new local tax revenue from "allowable state tax revenue" calculations and other such calculations; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3139) of Steven S. Howitt relative to transparency in property deed requests; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3141) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., Richard M. Haggerty and others relative to the small commercial tax exemption; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3158) of Sally P. Kerans for legislation to authorize an increase in the local sales tax upon the sale of restaurant meals; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3211) of Edward R. Philips and Dennis C. Gallagher relative to deeds excise receipts; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3215) of Orlando Ramos relative to the withholding of property taxes by utility companies; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3229) of John H. Rogers relative to community preservation surcharges; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3239) of Adam J. Scanlon relative to municipal property tax reform; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3244) of Michael J. Soter and others relative to the amount and valuation for eligibility for a tax exemption on commercial property; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4239) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others relative to a municipal tax amnesty program, reports recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 5203) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

ADRIAN C. MADARO.

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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 House documents numbered 3005, 3011,
3 3088, 3139, 3141, 3158, 3211, 3215, 3229, 3239, 3244 and 4239, relative to property and local
4 taxes.

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.