

**HOUSE . . . . . No.**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Edward R. Philips*

*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 relative to deeds excise receipts.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Edward R. Philips</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/15/2025</i>

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act relative to deeds excise receipts.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 64D of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
2 Section 1 the following section:-

3 Section 1A. (a) Notwithstanding any other general or special law to the contrary, the  
4 counties of Bristol, Dukes, Nantucket, Norfolk and Plymouth shall retain 20 per cent of all deeds  
5 excise receipts received on or after July 1, 2025, in addition to the amounts of deeds excise  
6 receipts retained by said counties pursuant to any other statute or regulation. Such funds shall be  
7 deposited to the General Fund of the county, and shall be disbursed and expended for meeting  
8 the costs of the operation and maintenance of the county, or retained by the county for such  
9 future use.

10 (b) Notwithstanding any other general or special law to the contrary, the county of  
11 Barnstable shall retain 7.5 per cent of all deeds excise receipts received pursuant to this chapter

12 on or after July 1, 2025, in addition to the amounts of deeds excise receipts retained by said  
13 county pursuant to any other statute or regulation. Such funds shall be deposited to the General  
14 Fund of the county, and shall be disbursed and expended for meeting the costs of the operation  
15 and maintenance of the county, or retained by the county for such future use.

16 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.