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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David M. Rogers

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 tax for online advertising.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:DATE ADDED:David M. Rogers24th Middlesex1/16/2025

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## [SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 2930 OF 2023-2024.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court (2025-2026)

An Act establishing a tax for online advertising.

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

- 1 Chapter 63 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:-
- 2 Section 82. (a) As used in this section the following terms shall, unless the context clearly
- 3 requires otherwise, have the following meanings:
- 4 "Digital advertising services", advertisement services on a digital interface, including
- 5 advertisements in the form of banner advertising, search engine advertising, interstitial
- 6 advertising and other comparable advertising services.
- 7 "Digital interface", any type of software, including a website, part of a website or an
- 8 application that a user may access.
- 9 "IP address", a unique string of characters assigned to each device connected to a
- 10 computer network using the Internet Protocol for communication.

- "User", an individual who accesses a digital interface using a device with an IP address.
- (b) There shall be assessed and levied in each calendar year an excise on the sale of digital advertising services provided within the commonwealth. A digital advertising service shall be deemed to have been provided within the commonwealth if it is received on a user's device having an IP address located within the commonwealth.

- (c) Persons with revenue from digital advertising services provided within the commonwealth shall remit the excise described in subsection (b) to the commissioner of revenue on a monthly basis.
- (d) The excise shall be assessed at a rate equal to 6.25 per cent of the person's annual gross revenue from digital advertising services provided within the commonwealth. The first \$1 million in revenue from digital advertising services provided within the commonwealth annually shall be exempt from the excise imposed by this section.