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By Mr. DesRoches of New Bedford, petition of Theophile J. DesRoches that local boards of assessors be required to hold public hearings before raising assessments on real estate. Taxation.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Two.

### AN ACT REQUIRING LOCAL BOARDS OF ASSESSORS TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE RAISING ASSESSMENTS ON REAL ESTATE.

*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 59 of the General Laws is hereby amended by insert-
- 2 ing after section 11 the following section:—
- 3 *Section 11A.* No assessment on real estate assessed in the
- 4 previous year by the local board of assessors shall be increased
- 5 without a public hearing.

