

HOUSE No. 729

Bill accompanying the petition of Aaron Prussian and another for an amendment of the Constitution authorizing the General Court to levy reasonable rates, assessments and taxes and to classify property for taxation. Taxation. January 15.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fourteen.

RESOLVE

To provide for an Amendment to the Constitution authorizing the General Court to levy and impose Reasonable Assessments, Rates and Taxes and to classify Property for Purposes of Taxation.

1 *Resolved*, That it is expedient to alter the constitution
2 of the commonwealth by the adoption of the subjoined
3 article of amendment; that the said article, being agreed
4 to by a majority of the senators and two-thirds of the
5 house of representatives present and voting thereon, be
6 entered on the journals of both houses, with the yeas and
7 nays taken thereon, and be referred to the general court
8 next to be chosen; and that the said article be pub-
9 lished, to the end that if agreed to in the manner pro-
10 vided by the constitution, by the general court next to
11 be chosen, it may be submitted to the people for their
12 approval and ratification in order that it may become a
13 part of the constitution of the commonwealth.

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

14 Article four of section one of chapter one of part two
 15 of the constitution is hereby amended by striking out in
 16 the twenty-first and twenty-second lines the words
 17 "proportional and", and by inserting after the word
 18 "commonwealth", in the twenty-fourth line, the words:—
 19 and for such purpose the general court may classify
 20 property in a reasonable manner.