The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

SENATE, June 3, 1999.

The committee on Taxation, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1496) of Stephen M. Brewer for legislation relative to the classification and taxation of forest, agricultural, horticultural and recreational lands; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1497) of Stephen M. Brewer for legislation relative to granting cities and towns the right of first refusal in the sale of tax exempt real property; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1499) of Stephen M. Brewer, Doug Gillespie, David H. Tuttle, George N. Peterson, Jr., Michael J. Rodrigues and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to the taxation of agricultural lands; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1511) of Robert A. Durand, Susan C. Fargo, Andrea F. Nuciforo, Jr., Barbara Gardner and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to the taxation of forest, farm and recreation land; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1524) of Robert L. Hedlund, Brian P. Lees, Bruce E. Tarr, Jo Ann Sprague, other members of the General Court and another for legislation to amend the new growth provision of Proposition two and one-half; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1539) of James P. Jajuga, Kevin L. Finnegan and Brian S. Dempsey for legislation to further regulate property subject to taxation; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1593) of Richard T. Moore and David P. Magnani for legislation relative to district improvement financing; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1611) of Therese Murray, Thomas J. O'Brien, Francis L. Marini and Viriato Manuel deMacedo for legislation relative to the assessment of local taxes; the petition (accompanied by hill, Senate, No. 1626) of Bruce E. Tarr, Anthony J. Verga, Stephen M. Brewer, Andrea F. Nuciforo, Jr., and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to tax credits for land conservation; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1627) of Bruce E. Tarr and Anthony J. Verga for legislation to protect open space and historic properties; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1647) of Robert E. Travaglini for legislation relative to exempting certain property used by the film and video industry from taxation, reports the accompanying order (Senate, No. 1809).

For the committee,

MARIAN WALSH.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Nine.

¹ Ordered, That the joint committee on Taxation be authorized

² and directed to make an investigation and study of Senate docu-

³ ments numbered 1496, 1497, 1499, 1511, 1524, 1539, 1593, 1611,

^{4 1626, 1627} and 1647, relative to property tax.

