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To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

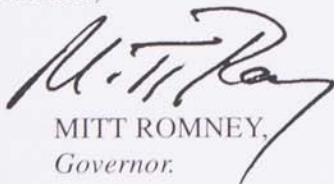
Pursuant to Part the Second, Chapter I, Section I, Article II of the Constitution of the Commonwealth, I am returning to you for amendment House Bill No. 139, "An Act Establishing the Office of Collector-Treasurer in the Town of Swansea."

This Legislation would allow the Town of Swansea to consolidate the treasurer and collector positions. Although I support this effort to improve efficiency and coordination, A change in the effective date is necessary because a town election for the position of collector has already been scheduled for April 11, 2005.

I therefore propose the following amendment:—

By striking out, in the Section 3, the words "upon its passage" and inserting in place thereof the words:— "April 12, 2005".

Respectfully submitted,


MITT ROMNEY,
Governor.

