

HOUSE No. 3748

By Mr. Rice of Gardner, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3748) of Robert L. Rice, Jr., and others for legislation to impose a tax of professional sports tickets for the purpose of funding school sports activities. Revenue.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Robert L. Rice, Jr.

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act promoting school sports participation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Robert L. Rice, Jr.	2nd Worcester
Louis L. Kafka	8th Norfolk
Allen J. McCarthy	7th Plymouth
Robert P. Spellane	13th Worcester
Jennifer M. Callahan	18th Worcester

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT PROMOTING SCHOOL SPORTS PARTICIPATION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 64 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting the following
2 section:-
- 3 Section 1. The commissioner shall collect an excise equal to 2 ½ percent of the face value of
4 each ticket of admission sold by the Boston Red Sox American baseball league franchise, the
5 Boston Celtics National Basketball Association franchise, the New England Patriots National
6 Football League franchise, the Boston Bruins National Hockey League franchise, and the New
7 England Revolution National Soccer League franchise.
- 8 Section 2. Proceeds from revenues generated under section 1 shall be distributed by the commissioner to
9 each school district in the Commonwealth to be used for the sole purpose of school sports programs. The
10 commissioner shall apportion the proceeds on a per capita basis reflecting current school enrollments.