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**Initiative Petition Information Sheet**

Title of Petition: An Act to Eliminate Double Taxation on the Sale of Tobacco Products (A)

Petition Number: *(to be filled in by Attorney General's Office staff)*

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**Optional:**

Will the proponents propose a summary by the Monday, 5 days after the petition-filing deadline?

Yes                       No

Will the proponents submit a memo of law by the Friday 9 days after the petition-filing deadline?

Yes                       No (unless necessary)

Please note that the above information will be made available to the public and particularly to possible opponents of certification. The Proponent and Proponents' Attorney (if any) will receive copies of any materials submitted by the public regarding certification.

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**AGO Staff Person Receiving Petition:**

**Date:**

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## AN INITIATIVE PETITION

### AN ACT TO ELIMINATE DOUBLE TAXATION ON THE SALE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS

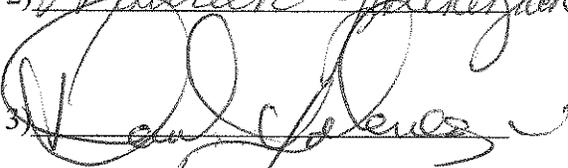
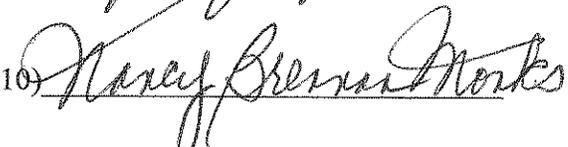
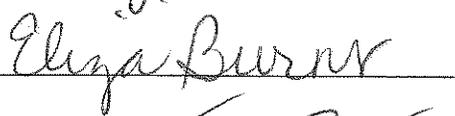
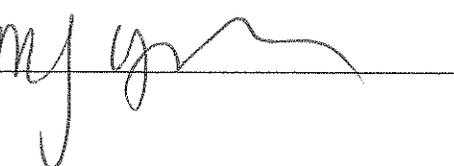
*Be it enacted by the People, and by their authority, as follows:*

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 64H of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, is hereby amended by repealing section 3A and inserting in its place the following section:—

*Section 3A.* No manufacturer, wholesaler or unclassified acquirer, as defined in chapter 64C, doing business in the commonwealth, nor any other person doing business in the commonwealth selling tobacco products, including cigarettes, cigars, smokeless tobacco and smoking tobacco, nor any purchaser of such products in the commonwealth shall be subject to any sales tax as applied to the sale of such products under this chapter or any other general or special law other than chapter 64C.

**SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect January 1, 2017.

*Pursuant to Article 48 of the articles of amendment of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as amended by Article 74 of said articles of amendment, the undersigned qualified voters of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts hereby submit the foregoing measure for approval by the people.*

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