

Massachusetts Collectors & Treasurers Association



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2021-2022 Legislative Agenda

The Massachusetts Collectors & Treasurers Association (MCTA) proposals come directly from our members and reflect their interest in performing their duties in a more efficient, cost effective manner.

An Act Relative to Municipal Use of the Prudent Investor Standards:

Senate 1336 **House 2199** (refile Senate 1178)

Upon acceptance a city, town, or district may manage trust funds held in its custody as a combined investment pool and may invest said funds in accordance with the provisions of the Massachusetts Prudent Investor Act (MGL Chapter 203C).

Lead Sponsors: Sen. Anne Gobi, Rep. Jeff Roy

Cosponsors: Senators Joanne Comerford, and Patrick O'Connor

Representatives Hannah Kane, Richard Haggerty, Matthew Muratore, Norman Orrall,

Kathleen LaNatra, Josh Cutler, and Steven Xiarhos

Joint Committee – Municipalities and Regional Government

An Act Relative to Tax Title Expense:

Senate 1321 **House 2150** (refile House 1777)

This proposal allows cities and towns to recoup expenses related to redemption, foreclosure and land of low value for tax title accounts by modifying language in following sections of MGL 60, as described below:

Section 62: After 'all such charges,' add the phrase 'including legal fees incurred to date,'

Section 65: Add a new sentence at the end of this section - 'A city or town may add legal fees to the tax title account of the land to which the right of redemption is being foreclosed.'

Section 79: Strike reference to \$50 and replace with '\$500 or actual cost whichever is less'.

Lead Sponsor: Sen. Michael Brady, Rep. Paul Donato

Cosponsors: Representatives Josh Cutler and Richard Haggerty

Joint Committee – Municipalities and Regional Government

An Act Relative to Charges associated with Condominiums in Tax Title:

Senate 1538 **House 3022** (refile House 2580)

This proposal seeks to modify Chapter 60 of the general laws to permit cities and towns to add to a tax title account any amounts the city or town is required to pay to a homeowners' or condominium association for common expense charges and/or special assessments.

Lead Sponsor: Sen. Michael Brady, Rep. Brian Murray

Cosponsors: Representative Richard Haggerty

Joint Committee – Revenue

An Act relative to Proceeds from the Sale of Bonds:

Senate 1335 **House 2192** (refile Senate 1184)

This proposal will modify Chapter 44, Section 20 (RE: Municipal Modernization Act of 2016), allowing greater flexibility in the application of BAN premiums. Some communities have tens of thousands of dollars sitting in accounts that cannot be used for other purposes.

Lead Sponsor: Sen. Cindy Friedman, Rep. Brian Murray

Cosponsors: Senators Susan Moran and Michael Moore

Representatives Carolyn Dykema, Lindsay Sabadosa, and Richard Haggerty

Joint Committee – Municipalities and Regional Government

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