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RE: H3144 Resolutions Referendum on a Budget for All
DT: 22 October 2015

Dear Honorable Chair and Members of the Joint Committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs,

Thank you for considering *H3144, Resolutions Referendum on a Budget for All* before your committee on October 28th.

This resolution was passed by over 90 cities and towns in the Commonwealth. It expresses the will of many of our constituents when it comes to federal budget matters. Many of our state programs are partially funded by the federal government, so it is natural that we have an interest in federal budgetary expenditures. The resolution expresses these ideas:

1. *Prevent cuts to Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, and Veterans benefits, or to housing, food and unemployment assistance;*
2. *Create and protect jobs by investing in manufacturing, schools, housing, renewable energy, transportation and other public services;*
3. *Provide new revenues for these purposes and to reduce the long-term federal deficit by closing corporate tax loopholes, ending offshore tax havens, and raising taxes on incomes over \$250,000; and*
4. *Redirect military spending to these domestic needs by reducing the military budget, ending the war in Afghanistan and bringing U.S. troops home safely now.*

Thank you for your time and consideration of this bill. I respectfully request that *H3144, Resolutions Referendum on a Budget for All Cars* be released favorably and expeditiously from your committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paul Heroux".

Paul Heroux