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Rep. Smola Appointed as Ranking Member of Ways and Means Committee

BOSTON – Representative Todd M. Smola (R-Warren, Ranking Member, Committee on Ways & Means) has once again been named as the ranking Republican member of the Committee on Ways and Means in the Massachusetts House of Representatives. Representative Smola was appointed to this position by House Minority Leader Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and was approved by the party caucus.

“Todd has proven to be an invaluable member of my leadership team and a tireless advocate for the state’s taxpayers and our cities and towns while serving on the Ways and Means Committee,” said Rep. Jones. “I am confident he will continue to use his position on the committee to not only prioritize local aid, but also promote the fiscal discipline and transparency needed to guard against wasteful spending and government inefficiency.”

The primary function of the Committee on Ways and Means is the consideration of all legislation affecting the finances of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Another key responsibility for the committee is producing an annual operating budget for the state. The budget provides local aid for cities and towns, supports critical programs and services for the state’s residents, and allocates funding for government departments and agencies.

"This will be my third consecutive session as the ranking member on Ways and Means and I am grateful that my colleagues have entrusted me with this responsibility," said Representative Smola. "I am looking forward to the new legislative session and upcoming budget talks."

Rep. Smola has served in this leadership position since 2015. The ranking member serves as the point person on budget and finance matters for the legislators of the minority party. The Committee on Ways and Means will begin a schedule of budget hearings in March that will take

the membership across the state. Smola represents the First Hampden District, which is comprised of the towns of Brimfield, Holland, Palmer, Wales, Warren and Precincts B and C in Ware. For additional information please contact Representative Smola at Todd.Smola@mahouse.gov or (617)722-2100.

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