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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

William N. Brownsberger

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:

An Act requiring the timely adoption of greenhouse gas emission limits for the year 2030.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
William N. Brownsberger	☐ *[District]* ☐
Ellen Story	*3rd Hampshire*
Jonathan Hecht	*29th Middlesex*
Frank I. Smizik	*15th Norfolk*

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By Mr. Brownsberger of Belmont, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 219) of William N. Brownsberger and others relative to greenhouse gas emission limits. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

An Act requiring the timely adoption of greenhouse gas emission limits for the year 2030.

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

Section 1: Notwithstanding any other general or special law to the contrary, clause (2) of subsection (b) of section 3 of Chapter 21 shall be implemented no later than January 1, 2013.

Section 2: Section 4(a) of Chapter 21N is amended by striking the text thereof and replacing it with the following new text:

"The secretary shall adopt the 2020 statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit pursuant to subsection (b) of section 3 which shall be between 10 per cent and 25 per cent below the 1990 emissions level and a plan for achieving said reduction. The secretary shall further adopt the 2030 statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit pursuant to subsection (b) of section 3 which shall be between 45 per cent and 60 per cent below the 1990 emissions level and a plan for achieving said reduction. The secretary shall consult with all state agencies and regional authorities with jurisdiction over sources of greenhouse gases on all elements of the emissions limits and plans that pertain to energy-related matters including, but not limited to, electrical generation, load based-standards or requirements, the provision of reliable and affordable electrical service and statewide fuel supplies, to ensure the greenhouse gas emissions reduction activities to be adopted and implemented by the secretary are complementary, non-duplicative and can be implemented in an efficient and cost-effective manner. The 2020 and 2030 statewide emissions limits and implementation plans shall comply with this section."

Section 3: Section 4(b) of Chapter 21N is amended by replacing the word "limit" with the word "limits":

Section 4: Section 4(g) of Chapter 21N is amended by striking the phrase "2020 emission limit and implementing plan" and replacing it with the phrase"2020 and 2030 emission limits and implementing plans".

Section 5: Section 16 of Chapter 298 of the Acts of 2008 are amended by striking the phrase "and shall expire on December 31, 2020."

Section 6: The statewide initiative necessary to accomplish the 2030 emissions limit pursuant to subsection (a) of section 4 of chapter 21N shall be adopted no later than January 1, 2014.