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HOUSE . . . . . No. 2951

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Peter V. Kocot

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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to farm energy production.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Peter V. Kocot	*1st Hampshire*

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By Mr. Kocot of Northampton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2951) of Peter V. Kocot that the Renewable Energy Trust Fund be authorized to award grants for the development of farm-based renewable energy. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. *2618* OF 2011-2012.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to farm energy production.

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. Paragraph (1) of subsection (f) of section 4E of chapter 40J of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after the word "engine" the following: - "…provided, further, that the board may make grants from the fund, not to exceed a total of $2,000,000 annually, in support of Massachusetts farms and farm organizations, including Communities Involved in Sustaining Agriculture (CISA)and the Pioneer Valley Growers Cooperative and its member farms, to develop farm-based renewable energy capabilities, including wind harvesting, methane capture and combustion, solar and photovoltaic energy sources to reduce energy costs for Massachusetts farmers."