

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3745**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*James M. Cantwell*

*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 fair reimbursement to municipalities for costs relating to storms.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>	<i>5/13/2011</i>
<i>Garrett J. Bradley</i>	<i>3rd Plymouth</i>	

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By Mr. Cantwell of Marshfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of James M. Cantwell and Garrett J. Bradley relative to reimbursement to municipalities for costs relating to storm damage. Municipalities and Regional Government.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act relative to fair reimbursement to municipalities for costs relating to storms.

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

1           Section 85B of chapter 164 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official  
2 Edition, is hereby amended by adding after the words “service outage” thereof the following:-  
3           ; provided further, that subsequent to extended outages that were caused as a result of a  
4 company failure, municipalities adversely affected by extended outages shall be able to recover  
5 such costs incurred as a consequence of monitoring downed lines, malfunctioning equipment,  
6 and other costs associated with said outages.