

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 642**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Michael A. Costello*

*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 inspection requirements for certain refrigeration and air conditioning units.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Michael A. Costello</i>	<i>1st Essex</i>	<i>1/18/2011</i>

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By Mr. Costello of Newburyport, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 642) of Michael A. Costello relative to inspection requirements for certain refrigeration and air conditioning units. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2205 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act relative to inspection requirements for certain refrigeration and air conditioning units.

*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 1. Section 45A of Chapter 146 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the first paragraph and inserting in place thereof  
3 the following new paragraph:-

4           No person shall operate or cause to be operated a refrigeration or air conditioning system,  
5 or any appurtenance thereof, excepting refrigeration or air conditioning systems in railway trains,  
6 motor vehicles, private residences, apartment houses of less than five apartments, refrigeration  
7 and air conditioning systems located on property under the jurisdiction of the United States  
8 government, refrigeration and air conditioning systems used exclusively for agricultural,  
9 horticultural or floricultural purposes, refrigeration and air conditioning systems having less than  
10 twenty tons capacity, and refrigeration and air conditioning systems that provide cooling for

11 human comfort or process environment air conditioning and that meet all of the following  
12 criteria: (a) has a capacity of less than 100 horsepower, (b) is a totally enclosed, factory-  
13 assembled complete unit, (c) is pad- or skid-mounted, (d) is located in an area that is separate  
14 from the space it cools, or on the roof of a commercial or industrial property, (e) has a  
15 unit enclosure containing the motor, compressor, condenser, receiver and associated piping,  
16 controls and safety devices, and (f) has an evaporator that is contained within the unit or is in the  
17 air.