HOUSE No. 871

The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts PRESENTED BY: Ronald Mariano 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 to reestablish the former DEQE/DEP water meter modernization grant program.. PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Ronald Mariano	3rd Norfolk	1/18/2011

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By Mr. Mariano of Quincy, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 871) of Ronald Mariano for legislation to reestablish the water meter modernization grant program administered by the Department of Environmental Protection. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 3092 OF 2009-2010.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act to reestablish the former DEQE/DEP water meter modernization grant program..

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. Notwithstanding any general or specific law or regulation to the contrary,
- 2 the Department of Environmental Protection is directed to re-establish and administer a Water
- 3 Meter Modernization Program. The Commonwealth shall allocate up to \$25 million annually to
- 4 municipalities of the Commonwealth for the purchase and/or installation of water meters.
- 5 Criteria for the program will be established by the DEP no later than 90 days upon enactment of
- 6 this legislation.