

# SENATE . . . . . No. 1185

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Stephen M. Brewer*

*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 trenches on private property..

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Stephen M. Brewer*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and  
Middlesex*

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By Mr. Brewer, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1185) of Brewer for legislation relative to trenches on private property [Joint Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security].

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 2409 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven  
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An Act relative to trenches on private property..

*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 2 of chapter 82A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006  
2   Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 2 and 3, the words:- the excavation  
3   of trenches on privately owned land and for.

4           SECTION 2. Said section 2 of said chapter 82A, as so appearing, is hereby further  
5   amended by adding the following sentence:- The owner of private property shall install fencing  
6   around an unattended trench on that property as provided in 520 CMR 14.04.