

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2914**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Antonio F. D. Cabral*

*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 improving public safety and reducing construction costs.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Antonio F. D. Cabral</i>	<i>13th Bristol</i>	<i>1/14/2013</i>
<i>Cory Atkins</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>	

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By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2914) of Antonio F. D. Cabral and Cory Atkins relative to excavation designed to minimize direct contact with utilities. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act relative to improving public safety and reducing construction costs.

*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 40 of chapter 82 of the general laws, as appearing in the 2010  
2 official edition, is hereby amended, at the end of line 27, by inserting the following new  
3 definition:-

4           “ ‘Non-Mechanical Means’ shall mean excavation using any device or tool manipulated  
5 by human power; including air vacuum, air blowing or similar methods of excavation designed  
6 to minimize direct contact with utilities.”