

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2947**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Bradley H. Jones, Jr.***

*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 reducing the cost of electricity for Massachusetts ratepayers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/17/2013</i>
<i>George N. Peterson, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>	<i>1/29/2013</i>
<i>Bradford Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>	<i>1/30/2013</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>1/18/2013</i>
<i>Viriato Manuel deMacedo</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>1/25/2013</i>
<i>Donald Humason</i>		
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>	
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>	
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>	
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>	
<i>Kevin J. Kuros</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>	
<i>Matthew A. Beaton</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>	
<i>Daniel B. Winslow</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>	
<i>Ryan C. Fattman</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>	

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2947) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others relative to the cost of electricity for ratepayers. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**

An Act relative to reducing the cost of electricity for Massachusetts ratepayers.

*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 138 of chapter 164 of the General Laws, as amended in chapter 209  
2 of the acts of 2012, is hereby further amended by striking out paragraph 4 and inserting, in the  
3 place thereof, the following paragraph:—

4 ‘Class I net metering credit’, a credit equal to the excess kilowatt-hours by time of use  
5 billing period, if applicable, multiplied by the sum of the distribution company’s: (i) default  
6 service kilowatt-hour charge in the ISO-NE load zone where the customer is located; (ii)  
7 distribution kilowatt-hour charge; (iii) transmission kilowatt-hour charge; and (iv) transition  
8 kilowatt-hour charge; provided, however, that this shall not include the demand side  
9 management and renewable energy kilowatt-hour charges set forth in sections 19 and 20 of  
10 chapter 25; and provided further, that credit for a Class I net metering facility not using more  
11 than 50% of the facility’s on site generation, as compared to the three (3) year average use on the  
12 site, shall be equal to the excess kilowatt-hours by time of use billing period, if applicable,  
13 multiplied by the monthly basic service price for the applicable rate class; and provided further,  
14 that credit for a Class I net metering facility that is not an agricultural net metering facility or is  
15 not using solar, anaerobic digestion or wind as its energy source shall be the average monthly  
16 clearing price at the ISO-NE.

17 SECTION 27. Section 138 of chapter 164 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
18 amended by striking out paragraph 6 and inserting, in the place thereof, the following  
19 paragraph:—

20 'Class II net metering credit', a credit equal to the excess kilowatt-hours by time of use  
21 billing period, if applicable, multiplied by the sum of the distribution company's: (i) default  
22 service kilowatt-hour charge in the ISO-NE load zone where the customer is located; (ii)  
23 distribution kilowatt-hour charge; (iii) transmission kilowatt-hour charge; and (iv) transition  
24 kilowatt-hour charge; provided, however, that this shall not include the demand side  
25 management and renewable energy kilowatt-hour charges set forth in sections 19 and 20 of  
26 chapter 25; and provided, further, that credit for a Class II net metering facility not using more  
27 than 50% of the facility's on site generation, as compared to the three (3) year average use on the  
28 site, shall be equal to the excess kilowatt-hours by time of use billing period, if applicable,  
29 multiplied by the monthly basic service price for the applicable rate class.

30 SECTION 28. Section 138 of chapter 164, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking  
31 out paragraph 8 and inserting, in the place thereof, the following paragraph:—

32 'Class III net metering credit', a credit equal to the excess kilowatt-hours by time of use  
33 billing period, if applicable, multiplied by the sum of the distribution company's: (i) default  
34 service kilowatt-hour charge in the ISO-NE load zone where the customer is located; (ii)  
35 transmission kilowatt-hour charge; and (iii) transition kilowatt-hour charge; provided, however,  
36 that for a Class III net metering facility of a municipality or other governmental entity, the credit  
37 shall be equal to the excess kilowatt-hours multiplied by the sum of (i), (ii) and (iii) and the  
38 distribution kilowatt-hour charge; and provided further, that this shall not include the demand  
39 side management and renewable energy kilowatt-hour charges set forth in sections 19 and 20 of  
40 chapter 25; and provided, further, that credit for a Class III net metering facility not using more  
41 than 50% of the facility's on site generation, as compared to the three (3) year average use on the  
42 site, shall be equal to the excess kilowatt-hours by time of use billing period, if applicable,  
43 multiplied by the monthly basic service price for the applicable rate class.