

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2965**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Alice Hanlon Peisch*

*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 the leasing of telephone equipment.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Alice Hanlon Peisch</i>	<i>14th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/17/2013</i>

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By Ms. Peisch of Wellesley, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2965) of Alice Hanlon Peisch relative to regulating the leasing of telephone equipment. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2624 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act relative to the leasing of telephone equipment.

*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. Chapter 166 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended by adding after section 44 the following section:-

3 Section 45. Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary,  
4 a company that leases telephonic equipment must provide on every monthly statement to the  
5 customer a disclosure statement, which shall be in bold print with a font size no smaller than 14  
6 point font, clearly outlining the fair market value of the telephonic equipment leased by the  
7 customer and the current amount of the customer’s cumulative payments for the leased  
8 equipment.