

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1609**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Anthony W. Petrucci*

*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:

*Anthony W. Petrucci*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*First Suffolk and Middlesex*

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By Mr. Petrucelli, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1609) of Anthony W. Petrucelli for legislation to reestablish the water meter modernization grant program administered by the Department of Environmental Protection. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 871 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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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.