SENATE No. 150

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jennifer L. Flanagan

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 maintain public water systems.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| Jennifer L. Flanagan | Worcester and Middlesex |
| Anne M. Gobi | Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and |
| | Middlesex |
| David M. Nangle | 17th Middlesex |
| Thomas A. Golden, Jr. | 16th Middlesex |
| James Arciero | 2nd Middlesex |
| Christopher M. Markey | 9th Bristol |
| Timothy R. Madden | Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket |

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By Ms. Flanagan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 150) of Jennifer L. Flanagan, Anne M. Gobi, David M. Nangle, Thomas A. Golden, Jr. and other members of the General Court for legislation to maintain public water systems. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 2415 OF 2013-2014.]

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court (2015-2016)

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- Chapter 146 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 88 the following section:-
- 3 Section 88A. The sprinkler fitter's examining and licensing requirements, under sections
- 4 81to 86, inclusive, shall not apply to individuals who are regularly in the employ of a public
- 5 water system and perform sprinkler fitting work related to the emergency installation and repair,
- 6 and the testing and maintenance of hydrants and appurtenant pipes and valves that are within the
- 7 jurisdiction of the public water system; provided, that this exemption shall only apply to work
- 8 related to hydrants and appurtenant pipes and valves and shall not include work on any other
- 9 component of a fire protection sprinkler system. Individuals who are regularly in the employ of a

- 10 public water system may perform sprinkler fitting work related to the installation, repair, testing
- and maintenance of hydrants and appurtenant pipes and valves of a multi-purpose system within
- the jurisdiction of the public water system, but shall not include work on any other component of
- 13 a fire protection sprinkler system. The department may promulgate rules and regulations to
- 14 enforce this section.