

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1789**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Michael J. Rodrigues***

*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 preserve energy reliability in the Commonwealth.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Michael J. Rodrigues*

*First Bristol and Plymouth*

*Patricia A. Haddad*

*5th Bristol*

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By Mr. Rodrigues, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1789) of Michael J. Rodrigues and Patricia A. Haddad for legislation to preserve energy reliability in the Commonwealth. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act to preserve energy reliability in the Commonwealth.

*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 164 of the General Laws, as so appearing in the 2012 Official  
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 102C the following section:-

3           Section 102D. A generating facility with a nameplate capacity of more than 500 MWs in  
4 operation as of the effective date of this act, shall, prior to retirement of said generating facility,  
5 deliver written notice of the retirement plan at least 36 months before the proposed retirement  
6 date of said generating facility. If owners of the generating facility require retirement of the  
7 facility earlier than 36 months, owners must receive authorization from the general court. The  
8 department of energy resources shall promulgate rules and regulations related to this section.