

HOUSE No. 2687

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mark J. Cusack

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 authorizing resiliency measures under commercial property assessed clean energy.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Mark J. Cusack</i>	<i>5th Norfolk</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>
<i>Carmine L. Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Frank I. Smizik</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>
<i>José F. Tosado</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>
<i>Sarah K. Peake</i>	<i>4th Barnstable</i>
<i>Jay R. Kaufman</i>	<i>15th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>Jack Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jay D. Livingstone</i>	<i>8th Suffolk</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Cusack of Braintree, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2687) of Mark J. Cusack and others relative to authorizing resiliency measures under commercial property assessed clean energy. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act authorizing resiliency measures under commercial property assessed clean energy.

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 1 of Chapter 23M of the Massachusetts General Laws is hereby
2 amended by inserting after “other conventional energy sources” the following:-

3 , or (3) participation in a district heating and cooling system by qualifying commercial or
4 industrial real property, or (4) participation in a microgrid, including any related infrastructure
5 for such microgrid, by qualifying commercial or industrial real property, provided such
6 microgrid and any related infrastructure incorporate clean energy.

7 SECTION 2. Said Section 1 of Chapter 23M is hereby further amended by inserting the
8 following definitions:-

9 “District heating and cooling system” means a local system consisting of a pipeline or
10 network providing hot water, chilled water, or steam from one or more sources to multiple
11 buildings.

12 “Microgrid”, a group of interconnected loads and distributed energy sources within
13 clearly defined electrical boundaries that acts as a single controllable entity with respect to the
14 grid and that connects and disconnects from such grid to enable it to operate in both grid
15 connected and island mode.