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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Marc R. Pacheco

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 pipeline siting.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
Marc R. Pacheco	*First Plymouth and Bristol*	
James B. Eldridge	*Middlesex and Worcester*	*2/1/2017*
Michael D. Brady	*Second Plymouth and Bristol*	*2/3/2017*

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By Mr. Pacheco, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1872) of Marc R. Pacheco, James B. Eldridge and Michael D. Brady for legislation relative to pipeline siting. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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

An Act relative to pipeline siting.

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

Section 94A of chapter 164 of the General Laws is amended by inserting, at the end thereof, the following paragraph:

The department shall not approve any pipeline capacity contract or gas storage contract where new capacity is proposed to be created through the installation of gas infrastructure in land that, at the time the contract is submitted to the department for approval, is protected under Article 97 of the Articles of Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth. Subsequent siting approvals of gas infrastructure in such constitutionally protected land shall void departmental approval of related pipeline capacity or gas storage contracts.