

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3723**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Sean Garballey, (BY REQUEST)***

*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 requiring the master plans of cities and towns to address climate change and renewable energy.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Amos Meeks</i>		<i>1/18/2019</i>

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By Mr. Garballey of Arlington (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3723) of Amos Meeks that master plans by planning boards in cities and towns address climate change and renewable energy. Municipalities and Regional Government.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act requiring the master plans of cities and towns to address climate change and renewable 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           The second paragraph of section 81D of chapter 41 of the General Laws, as appearing in  
2 the 2016 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following clause:-

3           (10) Climate change and renewable energy element which shall: (a) forecast the potential  
4 impact that climate change may have on the municipality; (b) identify populations,  
5 neighborhoods and infrastructure within the municipality that may be vulnerable to the effects of  
6 climate change; (c) develop responses and strategies for reducing vulnerabilities created by  
7 climate change; and (d) establish goals and policies for reducing causes of climate change.