

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2017**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Dean A. Tran*

*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 municipal lighting authorities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Dean A. Tran</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i>	<i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Stephan Hay</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>	<i>2/11/2019</i>

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By Mr. Tran, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2017) of Dean A. Tran, Donald F. Humason, Jr. and Stephan Hay for legislation relative to municipal lighting authorities. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act relative to municipal lighting authorities.

*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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the department  
2 of public utilities in consultation with the department of energy resources shall develop a plan to  
3 facilitate the authorization and regulation of the creation of new municipal light districts in  
4 municipalities that choose to undertake such action. The plan shall include but not be limited to  
5 the acquisition or creation of the necessary infrastructure and mechanisms to acquire and deliver  
6 electricity to customers within the district. Said plan shall be submitted to the clerks of the  
7 Senate and House of Representatives and the Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities  
8 and Energy within one year of the effective date of this act.