

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3312**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Thomas A. Golden, Jr.*

*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 anaerobic digestion.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Thomas A. Golden, Jr.</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/19/2021</i>

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By Mr. Golden of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3312) of Thomas A. Golden, Jr., relative to anaerobic digestion renewable energy generating facilities. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**

An Act relative to anaerobic digestion.

*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 17 of Chapter 25A of the Massachusetts General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
2 amended by inserting after subsection (d) the following subsection:-

3 (e) Anaerobic digestion facilities that are both operational and qualified as Class I  
4 renewable energy generating sources under Section 11F of Chapter 25A of the General Laws  
5 prior to the effective date of Section 17 of said Chapter 25A shall be eligible to participate in the  
6 incentive program via a one-time procurement for Class I renewable energy certificates created  
7 by existing anaerobic digestion facilities. The department shall determine eligibility criteria for  
8 existing anaerobic digestion facilities to participate in the one-time procurement, with the total  
9 megawatts being procured equal to the combined capacity of all eligible facilities. The one-time  
10 procurement shall include a ceiling price equal to or greater than the alternative compliance  
11 payment rate, not to exceed double the alternative compliance payment rate established by the  
12 department under Section 11F of said Chapter 25A.