

HOUSE No. 4067

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kimberly N. Ferguson and Anne M. Gobi

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 light plant emergency mutual aid.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>6/24/2021</i>
<i>Anne M. Gobi</i>	<i>Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex</i>	<i>6/24/2021</i>
<i>Tami L. Gouveia</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>	<i>6/29/2021</i>
<i>Edward R. Philips</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>	<i>7/1/2021</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>	<i>7/1/2021</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>	<i>7/2/2021</i>
<i>Patricia A. Haddad</i>	<i>5th Bristol</i>	<i>7/2/2021</i>
<i>Smitty Pignatelli</i>	<i>4th Berkshire</i>	<i>7/8/2021</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>	<i>7/20/2021</i>

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By Representative Ferguson of Holden and Senator Gobi, a joint petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Kimberly N. Ferguson, Anne M. Gobi and others relative to municipal light plant emergency mutual aid. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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

An Act relative to municipal light plant emergency mutual aid.

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 133 of Chapter 164 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2018
2 Official Edition is hereby amended by adding in the third paragraph at line 12 after the words
3 “plant.” The following sentence:

4 “Any municipal lighting plant providing emergency mutual aid may sell, rent, or lease
5 equipment, fixtures, and goods of any description related to the provision of emergency mutual
6 aid”

7 And said section is further amended by adding after the fifth paragraph the following
8 sentence:

9 “Any employee of a municipal lighting plant providing emergency mutual aid, from the
10 time such employee leaves his/her place of residence to the time such employee returns to his/her
11 place of residence, shall be covered by the provisions of chapter thirty-two, sections one to
12 twenty-eight, inclusive, as may be amended from time to time, and shall have the same rights

13 and privileges thereunder, as if performing such duties within the scope of his/her employment
14 including voluntary assignments.”

15 And said section is further amended by adding in the sixth paragraph at line 27 after the
16 words “utility”, the following words:

17 “or its employees”