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SENATE . . . . . No. 1853

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James B. Eldridge

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 providing for climate change adaptation infrastructure and affordable housing investments in the Commonwealth.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
James B. Eldridge	*Middlesex and Worcester*	
Joanne M. Comerford	*Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester*	*2/11/2021*
Sal N. DiDomenico	*Middlesex and Suffolk*	*2/19/2021*
Jack Patrick Lewis	*7th Middlesex*	*2/22/2021*
Jason M. Lewis	*Fifth Middlesex*	*2/22/2021*
Erika Uyterhoeven	*27th Middlesex*	*2/26/2021*
Michael J. Barrett	*Third Middlesex*	*2/26/2021*
Brendan P. Crighton	*Third Essex*	*3/1/2021*
Michael O. Moore	*Second Worcester*	*3/9/2021*
Susan L. Moran	*Plymouth and Barnstable*	*3/15/2021*
Thomas M. Stanley	*9th Middlesex*	*3/30/2021*
Maria Duaime Robinson	*6th Middlesex*	*4/2/2021*
Sonia Chang-Diaz	*Second Suffolk*	*4/9/2021*
Tami L. Gouveia	*14th Middlesex*	*4/20/2021*
Rebecca L. Rausch	*Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex*	*4/22/2021*
Patricia D. Jehlen	*Second Middlesex*	*4/29/2021*
Marcos A. Devers	*16th Essex*	*5/11/2021*

Julian Cyr	*Cape and Islands*	*5/21/2021*
Nick Collins	*First Suffolk*	*7/13/2021*
John J. Cronin	*Worcester and Middlesex*	*12/15/2021*
Adam G. Hinds	*Berkshire, Hampshire, Franklin and Hampden*	*1/24/2022*

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By Mr. Eldridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1853) of James B. Eldridge, Joanne M. Comerford, Sal N. DiDomenico, Jack Patrick Lewis and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to the imposition of an excise tax to provide for climate change adaptation infrastructure and affordable housing investments in the Commonwealth. Revenue.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. *2924* OF 2019-2020.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act providing for climate change adaptation infrastructure and affordable housing investments in the Commonwealth.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 64D of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the words “two dollars” each time they appear and inserting in place thereof the following words:- two dollars and twenty eight cents plus an additional and separate fee of one dollar and fourteen cents that shall be deposited into the Global Warming Solutions Trust Fund established by section 35GGG of chapter 10, plus an additional and separate fee of sixty-eight cents that shall be deposited into the Affordable Housing Trust Fund as established by section 2 of chapter 121D, plus an additional and separate

fee of forty-six cents that shall be deposited into the Housing Preservation and Stabilization Trust Fund as established by section 60 of chapter 121B.

SECTION 2. Said section 1 of said chapter 64D, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 15, the words “one dollar and fifty cents” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- one dollar and seventy-one cents plus an additional and separate fee of eighty-six cents that shall be deposited into the Global Warming Solutions Trust Fund established by said section 35GGG of said chapter 10, plus an additional and separate fee of fifty-one cents that shall be deposited into the Affordable Housing Trust Fund as established by section 2 of chapter 121D, plus an additional and separate fee of thirty-four cents that shall be deposited into the Housing Preservation and Stabilization Trust Fund as established by section 60 of chapter 121B.

SECTION 3. Said section 1 of said chapter 64D, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 20, the words “in said Funds” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- received pursuant to this chapter, except for the monies transferred to the Global Warming Solutions Trust Fund established by said section 35GGG of chapter 10, the Affordable Housing Trust Fund established by section 2 of chapter 121D, and the Housing Preservation and Stabilization Trust Fund established by section 60 of chapter 121B.

SECTION 4. Section 10 of said chapter 64D, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “commonwealth,” in line 2, the following words:- except for the monies collected and deposited into the separate funds as required by this chapter.

SECTION 5. Section 23 of chapter 546 of the acts of 1969 is hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. Notwithstanding any provision of this act or any general or special law to the contrary, for the duration of the governor's emergency declaration resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic issued on March 10, 2020, and for one year after the expiration thereof, the commonwealth may utilize funds generated hereunder and allocated to either the Affordable Housing Trust Fund or the Housing Preservation and Stabilization Trust Fund to meet the emergency assistance needs of tenants and homeowners of very low income or extremely low income, as those terms are defined in chapter 40T of the general laws, resulting from said pandemic and related unemployment and economic dislocation.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2021.