

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2145**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Joanne M. Comerford*

*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 expanding equitable access for solar energy net metering.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Joanne M. Comerford</i>	<i>Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester</i>	
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>3/9/2021</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>	<i>3/16/2021</i>

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By Ms. Comerford, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2145) of Joanne M. Comerford, Michael O. Moore and Elizabeth A. Malia for legislation to expand equitable access for solar energy net metering. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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

An Act expanding equitable access for solar energy net metering.

*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 139 of chapter 164 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding after  
2 subsection (k) the following subsection:-

3 (1) A Class I, Class II or Class III solar net metering facility, as defined in section 138 and  
4 this section, shall be eligible to, or shall continue to receive Class I, Class II or Class III net  
5 metering credits as otherwise provided by this section if such facility is on the same parcel as any  
6 number of other such solar net metering facilities if:

7 (1) the systems are placed on either a municipal- or government-owned parcel, provided  
8 that all systems on the single parcel do not exceed an aggregate limit of 2MW;

9 (2) the systems are placed on a single parcel of land where all buildings on that parcel  
10 comprise low or moderate income housing as defined in section 20 of chapter 40B;

11           (3) the systems are each placed on a separate and distinct rooftop, whereby no two  
12 systems occupy the same rooftop, and provided that all systems on the single parcel do not  
13 exceed an aggregate limit of 2MW; or

14           (4) the systems are installed no less than 1 year after any previously installed system was  
15 placed into service, provided that all systems on the single parcel do not exceed an aggregate  
16 limit of 2MW.