

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2234**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Bruce E. Tarr*

*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 ensuring public safety at natural gas sites.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Bruce E. Tarr*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*First Essex and Middlesex*

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2234) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation to ensure public safety at natural gas sites. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 2013 OF 2019-2020.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act ensuring public safety at natural gas sites.

*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 shall develop, promulgate, and maintain regulations to ensure that natural gas  
3 pressure is monitored by qualified personnel on each site where where is being performed that  
4 involves the pressurization and/or depressurization of transmission lines, as is necessary to  
5 protect public safety and to prevent damage to property.

6           SECTION 2. The department shall promulgate initial regulations pursuant to section 1  
7 not later than 180 days following the passage of this act.