

HOUSE No. 3160

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Dylan A. Fernandes

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 bringing Mass Save in line with climate goals.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Dylan A. Fernandes</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>	<i>1/20/2023</i>
<i>Lydia Edwards</i>	<i>Third Suffolk</i>	<i>2/6/2023</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/7/2023</i>
<i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>3/3/2023</i>
<i>Samantha Montaño</i>	<i>15th Suffolk</i>	<i>5/10/2023</i>
<i>Natalie M. Blais</i>	<i>1st Franklin</i>	<i>7/28/2023</i>

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By Representative Fernandes of Falmouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3160) of Dylan A. Fernandes and others that the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center govern and oversee the Mass Save program. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act bringing Mass Save in line with climate goals.

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. Chapter 23J of the General Law, as appearing in the 2022 official edition, is
2 hereby amended by adding the following sections:

3 “Section 15. (a) The board shall govern and oversee Mass Save, the commonwealth’s
4 residential conservation service program. Mass Save shall exist as an entity within the center.

5 (b) (1) The board shall select a qualified individual to act as executive director of Mass
6 Save by majority vote and shall establish their salary. The board shall work with the executive
7 director to oversee and coordinate Mass Save and its programming. The executive director shall
8 serve for a term of 3 years.

9 (2) The executive director shall attend meetings of the board and may, subject to the
10 approval of the board, employ other employees or clerical staff. The executive director shall
11 present to the board for its approval annual budgets, staffing plans, operating plans and
12 production plans.

13 (3) The executive director shall coordinate directly with the energy efficiency advisory
14 council, the department of public utilities, and program administrators in their official duties to
15 oversee Mass Save. The executive director shall ensure Mass Save offers programs that improve
16 energy efficiency, promote building decarbonization, reduce greenhouse gas emissions pursuant
17 to chapter 21N of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 official edition, and reduce
18 ratepayer costs when possible.

19 (4) The executive director shall oversee and coordinate the creation of a single
20 application portal for all decarbonization and energy efficiency programs for businesses,
21 residents, and building owners to streamline the Mass Save process.

22 (c) The executive director shall submit an annual report by December 31 each year to the
23 Secretary of Energy and Environmental Affairs and the chairs of the joint committee on
24 telecommunications, utilities and energy of the senate and house of representatives and the
25 senate and house committees on ways and means. The report shall include an overview of Mass
26 Save’s role in achieving the greenhouse gas emissions limits pursuant to said chapter 21N.”