

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3169**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Kenneth I. Gordon***

*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 protecting ratepayers from gas pipeline expansion costs.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>	<i>1/9/2023</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/20/2023</i>
<i>Margaret R. Scarsdale</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>	<i>2/10/2023</i>
<i>Carmine Lawrence Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/10/2023</i>
<i>David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf</i>	<i>17th Worcester</i>	<i>2/23/2023</i>
<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>	<i>2/24/2023</i>
<i>William J. Driscoll, Jr.</i>	<i>7th Norfolk</i>	<i>3/7/2023</i>
<i>Rebecca L. Rausch</i>	<i>Norfolk, Worcester and Middlesex</i>	<i>3/7/2023</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>3/14/2023</i>
<i>Tommy Vitolo</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>	<i>4/4/2023</i>
<i>James K. Hawkins</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	<i>2/6/2024</i>

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By Representative Gordon of Bedford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3169) of Kenneth I. Gordon and others for legislation to prohibit companies from charging ratepayers for the construction or expansion of interstate gas infrastructure. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3317 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act protecting ratepayers from gas pipeline expansion costs.

*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 94A of chapter 164 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2020  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following:-

3           Notwithstanding anything set forth herein, the department shall not approve any contract  
4 for the purchase of gas, gas pipeline capacity or liquefied gas storage where any contract costs  
5 would be recoverable from the ratepayers, if such contract requires any construction or  
6 expansion of interstate gas infrastructure.