

HOUSE No. 3191

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Joan Meschino

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 encouraging advanced leak repair technology and renewable thermal energy infrastructure.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Joan Meschino</i> | <i>3rd Plymouth</i> | <i>1/13/2023</i> |

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By Representative Meschino of Hull, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3191) of Joan Meschino relative to advanced natural gas leak repair technology and renewable thermal energy infrastructure. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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

An Act encouraging advanced leak repair technology and renewable thermal energy infrastructure.

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 13 of Chapter 188 of the Session Laws of 2016 is hereby amended by striking out
2 the last sentence and inserting in place the following sentence:

3 The department of public utilities shall provide for the recovery of expenses incurred for
4 use of advanced leak repair technology and utility-scale non-emitting renewable thermal energy
5 infrastructure as part of the most cost-effective timeline under a plan submitted under section 145
6 of chapter 164 of the General Laws, without a reduction to the recovery for eligible pipe
7 replacement.