SENATE No. 2488

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Marc R. Pacheco

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 updating and decreasing carbon emissions.

PETITION OF:

NAME: Marc R. Pacheco DISTRICT/ADDRESS: Third Bristol and Plymouth

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By Mr. Pacheco, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2488) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marc R. Pacheco for legislation to update and decrease a carbon emissions limit that achieves at least net zero statewide greenhouse gas emissions. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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

An Act updating and decreasing carbon emissions.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1	Notwithstanding any special or general law to the contrary section 3 of Chapter 21N is
2	hereby amended by striking subsection (b) in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the
3	following new subsection (b):-
4	"(b) The secretary shall, in consultation with the department and the department of
5	energy resources, adopt the following statewide greenhouse gas emissions limits: (i) an interim
6	2025 statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit; (ii) an interim 2030 statewide greenhouse gas
7	emissions limit; (iii) an interim 2035 statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit; (iv) a 2040
8	statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit that achieves at least net zero statewide greenhouse gas
9	emissions; provided, however, that in no event shall the level of emissions in 2040 be higher than
10	a level 75 per cent below the 1990 level. Each limit shall be accompanied by publication of a
11	comprehensive, clear and specific roadmap plan to realize said limit".