

**SENATE . . . . . No. 562**

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**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 to reduce methane emissions.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Marc R. Pacheco</i>	<i>Third Bristol and Plymouth</i>	
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>3/23/2023</i>
<i>Carol A. Doherty</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>	<i>3/23/2023</i>

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By Mr. Pacheco, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 562) of Marc R. Pacheco for legislation to reduce methane emissions. Environment and Natural Resources.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act to reduce methane 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           Section 3 of chapter 21N of the general laws, most recently amended by section 11A of  
2 chapter 8 of the acts of 2021, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (h) the following  
3 subsection:-

4           (i) The secretary shall, in consultation with the department and the department of energy  
5 resources, adopt the following statewide methane gas emissions limit: 30 per cent below 2020  
6 levels by 2030.