

HOUSE No. 3512

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 establishing a special legislative commission to study small modular reactors.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/17/2025</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2025</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>	<i>3/10/2025</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/28/2025</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>	<i>1/30/2025</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	<i>9/29/2025</i>

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By Representative Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3512) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others for an investigation and study by a special legislative commission (including members of the General Court) to study small modular reactors. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**

An Act establishing a special legislative commission to study small modular reactors.

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. There shall be established a commission to study and develop a report on
2 the use of small modular reactors as a baseload power source. The commission’s study shall
3 include, but not be limited to, evaluating the efficacy of coupling small modular reactors with
4 other intermittent renewable energy sources to leverage resources and produce high efficiencies
5 while increasing grid stability and security, and the use of non-light water coolants and its effect
6 on safety and reactor management.

7 SECTION 2. The commission shall consist of: the chairs of the joint committee on
8 telecommunications, utilities, and energy or their designees, who shall serve as co-chairs; 1
9 member appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; 1 member appointed by the
10 president of the senate; 1 member appointed by the minority leader of the house of
11 representatives; 1 member appointed by the minority leader of the senate; the secretary of energy

12 and environmental affairs or their designee; the executive director of the department of energy
13 resources or their designee; and the secretary of administration and finance or their designee.

14 SECTION 3. The commission shall submit its report, along with any recommendations,
15 to the clerk's office of the house of representatives and the senate no later than 1 year after the
16 passage of this act.