

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3564**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Amy Mah Sangiolo and Greg Schwartz*

*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 relative to infrastructure replacement projects.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Amy Mah Sangiolo</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/16/2025</i>
<i>Vanna Howard</i>	<i>17th Middlesex</i>	<i>5/7/2025</i>
<i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>5/27/2025</i>
<i>Mike Connolly</i>	<i>26th Middlesex</i>	<i>6/4/2025</i>
<i>Danillo A. Sena</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>	<i>8/28/2025</i>
<i>Carmine Lawrence Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>	<i>10/24/2025</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>12/2/2025</i>
<i>Erika Uyterhoeven</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/2/2026</i>

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By Representatives Sangiolo of Newton and Schwartz of Newton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3564) of Amy Mah Sangiolo relative to natural gas infrastructure replacement projects. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act relative to infrastructure replacement projects.

*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. Subsection (b) of section 145 of chapter 164 of the General Laws, as  
2 appearing in section 81 of chapter 239 of the acts of 2024, is hereby amended by inserting after  
3 the words “with the department” the following words:- and affected municipalities.

4           SECTION 2. Said subsection (b) of said section 145 of said chapter 164, as so appearing,  
5 is hereby further amended by inserting after the second sentence the following sentence:- The  
6 plan shall be for a minimum of 4 years and shall include a list of all street segments and priority  
7 rating of those segments.

8           SECTION 3. Said subsection (b) of said section 145 of said chapter 164, as so appearing,  
9 is hereby further amended by inserting after the third sentence the following 2 sentences:- The  
10 affected municipality shall have 4 months to review and submit objections or recommendations  
11 for repair, retirement or other non-pipeline alternative. Notice of any objections shall become  
12 part of the approved plan.

13 SECTION 4. The first paragraph of subsection (c) of said section 145 of said chapter 164,  
14 as so appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the words “and (vii)” and inserting in  
15 place thereof the following words:- (vii) a list of all street segments and their priority rating for  
16 elimination; and (viii).

17 SECTION 5. Subsection (d) of said section 145 of said chapter 164, as so appearing, is  
18 hereby further amended by striking out the words “department review” and inserting in place  
19 thereof the following words:- department and municipal review.

20 SECTION 6. Said subsection (d) of said section 145 of said chapter 164, as so appearing,  
21 is hereby further amended by inserting after the words “request of a gas company” the following  
22 words:- or the municipality,.

23 SECTION 7. Subsection (e) of said section 145 of said chapter 164, as so appearing, is  
24 hereby amended by inserting after the word “part” the following words:- only after any  
25 municipal objection has been resolved.

26 SECTION 8. Subsection (f) of said section 145 of said chapter 164, as so appearing, is  
27 hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

28 Except for emergency conditions and other changes due to adjustments to pipe segment  
29 priorities, there shall be no plan reimbursement for any leak-prone pipe project that either was  
30 not listed in a plan in the past 2 years or that has received a municipal objection which had not  
31 been resolved either by agreement or department decision.