HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Antonio F. D. Cabral

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 offshore wind.

PETITION OF:

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 3147 OF 2023-2024.]

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

An Act relative to offshore wind.

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 83C of chapter 169 of the acts of 2008, as 2 amended by chapter 188 of the acts of 2016, as amended by chapter 179 of the acts of 2022, as 3 amended by chapter 239 of the acts of 2024, is hereby amended by striking out the figure 4 "5,600" and inserting in place thereof the following figure: 8,000. 5 SECTION 2. Subsection (b) of section 83C of chapter 169 of the acts of 2008, as 6 amended by chapter 188 of the acts of 2016, as amended by chapter 179 of the acts of 2022, as 7 amended by chapter 239 of the acts of 2024, is hereby further amended by striking out the 8 words:- "June 30, 2027" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- "March 31, 2027; 9 provided, however, that said distribution companies enter into cost effective long-term contracts 10 for offshore wind energy generation equal to approximately 5,600 megawatts of aggregate 11 nameplate capacity not later than December 31, 2026".

SECTION 3. Subsection (b) of section 83C of chapter 169 of the acts of 2008, as amended by chapter 188 of the acts of 2016, as amended by chapter 179 of the acts of 2022, as amended by chapter 239 of the acts of 2024, is hereby further amended by striking out the words:- ", if applicable,".

SECTION 4. Subsection (b) of section 83C of chapter 169 of the acts of 2008, as amended by chapter 188 of the acts of 2016, as amended by chapter 179 of the acts of 2022, as amended by chapter 239 of the acts of 2024, is hereby further amended by striking out the words "24 months" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- "18 months."