

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Orlando Ramos

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 the withholding of property taxes by utility companies.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Orlando Ramos</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>	<i>1/13/2025</i>

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2927 OF 2023-2024.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**
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An Act relative to the withholding of property taxes by utility companies.

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 64 of chapter 59 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by inserting after the first paragraph the following paragraph:-

3 Notwithstanding any provision of the preceding paragraph to the contrary, a public
4 utility, as defined in subsection (q) of section 1 of chapter 40D, shall pay 100 per cent of the tax
5 owed on personal property before an appeal may be filed pursuant to this section.