

SENATE No. 2652

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kelly A. Dooner and Justin Thurber

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 authorizing the city of Taunton to establish a separate billing rate for water supplied to manufactured housing communities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Kelly A. Dooner</i>	<i>Third Bristol and Plymouth</i>	
<i>Justin Thurber</i>	<i>5th Bristol</i>	
<i>Norman J. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>	
<i>Lisa Field</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>	<i>11/10/2025</i>

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By Mrs. Dooner and Mr. Thurber of Somerset, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2652) of Kelly A. Dooner, Justin Thurber and Norman J. Orrall (with approval of the mayor and city council) for legislation to authorize the city of Taunton to establish a separate billing rate for water supplied to manufactured housing communities. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy. [Local Approval Received.]

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

An Act authorizing the city of Taunton to establish a separate billing rate for water supplied to manufactured housing communities.

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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the city of
2 Taunton may establish a uniform, separate billing rate for municipal water service supplied
3 within Taunton to manufactured housing communities, as defined in section 32F of chapter 140
4 of the General Laws. The separate billing rate shall: (i) not charge for water service on a
5 descending unit rate basis; (ii) only apply to such communities or portions thereof that receive a
6 single invoice for all usage therein based on a master water meter; and (iii) not apply to
7 manufactured homes that are individually metered by the city.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.