

HOUSE No. 4170

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 authorizing the town of Reading to grant a utility easement over certain parcels of land.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>
<i>Katherine M. Clark</i>	<i>Middlesex and Essex</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4170) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., James J. Dwyer and Katherine M. Clark (by vote of the town) for legislation to authorize the town of Reading to grant a utility easement over certain parcels of land in said town. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Twelve

An Act authorizing the town of Reading to grant a utility easement over certain parcels of land.

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. The town of Reading, acting by and through its board of selectmen, with
2 the approval of the conservation commission, may grant a utility easement for the construction,
3 maintenance, repair and operation of utilities over, across and upon certain land known as
4 Timberneck Swamp held for conservation purposes as open space in the town of Reading. The
5 proposed utility easement shall support the pre-existing sewer main and the proposed new 8 inch
6 water main, running parallel, and connect Ivy Lane to Belmont street. The purpose of the
7 proposed new water main is to upgrade the existing water distribution system in the town,
8 connecting 2 ends of the water system at Belmont and Ivy, and thus improving the current
9 deficient fire flows, water quality and pressure loss in such area.

10 The easement, extending 711.85 feet by 30 feet in width, and containing 20,977.06
11 square feet across the 2 parcels of land held for conservation purposes, is shown on a plan
12 entitled "Town of Reading Massachusetts Department of Public Works Utility Easement

13 Belmont Street to Ivy Lane” prepared by the department of public works engineering division
14 and dated May 29, 2012. The 2 adjoining conservation parcels shown on such plan are
15 referenced by assessors maps as lot 5, map 29 and lot 194, map 28. The first parcel, containing
16 7.0197 acres, is described in an order of taking by the town of Reading for conservation purposes
17 dated March 14, 1972 and recorded in the Middlesex registry of deeds in book 12170 at page
18 436. The second parcel, purchased by the town for conservation purposes and containing
19 30.4811 acres is described in a deed dated September 2, 1975 and recorded in said Middlesex
20 registry of deeds in book 12854 at page 269. The parcels are also shown as lots B and 1
21 respectively on a plan entitled “Plan of Land in Reading, Mass. Timberneck Swamp and
22 Environs” dated May, 1973, prepared by H. Kingman Abbott, Registered Surveyor, and recorded
23 in said registry as plan 983 of 1974.

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