

An Act relative to the remediation of home heating oil releases

This legislation would help consumers avoid debilitating costs associated with home heating oil leaks by require insurers to provide coverage for these instances.

Highlights

- 1 Mandates that insurers in Massachusetts provide residential owners with insurance for damage to home and property caused by a leak in a residential liquid fuel tank or home fuel supply lines.
- 2 Leaks can incur costly damage to the residence itself, but under Massachusetts law, owners are responsible for environmental cleanup as well. This legislation would help save home owners from cleanup costs that can exceed \$100,000.

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I am grateful that the Senate has passed a much needed consumer protection measure to protect homeowners in the event of an accidental home heating oil release so that homeowners aren't saddled with exorbitantly high clean-up costs through no fault of their own. Together, these new consumer protection measures will allow the Commonwealth to best safeguard the rights of Massachusetts residents, instill confidence in consumers, and allow our state agencies to best advocate on behalf of consumers.

–Senator Paul Feeney (D-Foxborough)

