

HOUSE No. 2698

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kenneth I. Gordon

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 protecting ratepayers from gas pipeline expansion costs.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>
<i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i>	<i>Second Middlesex</i>
<i>Cory Atkins</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Gailanne M. Cariddi</i>	<i>1st Berkshire</i>
<i>Mike Connolly</i>	<i>26th Middlesex</i>
<i>Brendan P. Crighton</i>	<i>11th Essex</i>
<i>Geoff Diehl</i>	<i>7th Plymouth</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>
<i>Lori A. Ehrlich</i>	<i>8th Essex</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i>	<i>3rd Berkshire</i>
<i>Dylan Fernandes</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>

<i>Carmine L. Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Solomon Goldstein-Rose</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>Carlos Gonzalez</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Peter V. Kocot</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>
<i>Robert M. Koczera</i>	<i>11th Bristol</i>
<i>Jay R. Kaufman</i>	<i>15th Middlesex</i>
<i>Stephen Kulik</i>	<i>1st Franklin</i>
<i>Barbara A. L'Italien</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Jack Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>
<i>Adrian Madaro</i>	<i>1st Suffolk</i>
<i>Leonard Mirra</i>	<i>2nd Essex</i>
<i>Joan Meschino</i>	<i>3rd Plymouth</i>
<i>Rady Mom</i>	<i>18th Middlesex</i>
<i>Brian Murray</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>
<i>Marc R. Pacheco</i>	<i>First Plymouth and Bristol</i>
<i>Harold P. Naughton, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>
<i>Frank I. Smizik</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>
<i>Angelo M. Scaccia</i>	<i>14th Suffolk</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Jay D. Livingstone</i>	<i>8th Suffolk</i>
<i>Kathleen O'Connor Ives</i>	<i>First Essex</i>
<i>William Smitty Pignatelli</i>	<i>4th Berkshire</i>
<i>Paul W. Mark</i>	<i>2nd Berkshire</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul Tucker</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>

<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>Jeffrey N. Roy</i>	<i>10th Norfolk</i>
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>
<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jose F. Tosado</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i>
<i>John C. Velis</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2698) of Kenneth I. Gordon and others for legislation to prohibit companies from charging ratepayers for the construction or expansion of interstate gas infrastructure. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act protecting ratepayers from gas pipeline expansion costs.

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 94A of chapter 164 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding, at the end
2 the existing section, the following text:

3 Notwithstanding anything set forth herein, the department shall not approve any contract
4 for the purchase of gas, gas pipeline capacity or liquefied gas storage where any contract costs
5 would be recoverable from the ratepayers, if such contract requires any construction or
6 expansion of interstate gas infrastructure.