

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2853**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*James M. Cantwell*

*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 hydrokinetic energy.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*James M. Cantwell*

*Peter V. Kocot*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*4th Plymouth*

*1st Hampshire*

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By Mr. Cantwell of Marshfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2853) of James M. Cantwell and Peter V. Kocot relative to green energy generation. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2916 OF 2013-2014.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act relative to hydrokinetic energy.

*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. Section 138 of chapter 164 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting in line 29 after the words “a Class I net metering  
3 facility not using solar” the words:- “, hydrokinetic,”

4 SECTION 2. Section 138 of chapter 164 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010  
5 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting in line 45 after the words “solar net metering  
6 facility,” the words:- “hydrokinetic net metering facility,”

7 SECTION 3. Section 138 of chapter 164 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010  
8 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting in line 63 after the words “solar net metering  
9 facility,” the words:- “hydrokinetic net metering facility,”

10           SECTION 4. Section 138 of chapter 164 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010  
11 Official Edition is hereby amended by inserting the following new paragraph:-

12           “Hydrokinetic net metering facility,” a facility for the production of electrical energy that  
13 uses: (a) waves, tides, and currents in oceans, estuaries, and tidal areas; (b) free-flowing water in  
14 rivers, lakes, and streams; (c) free-flowing water in man-made channels; or (d) differentials in  
15 ocean temperature, called ocean thermal energy conversion to generate electricity and is  
16 interconnected to a distribution company.