

HOUSE No. 2899

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul W. Mark

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 to establish a home heating commission.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| <i>Paul W. Mark</i> | <i>2nd Berkshire</i> |
| <i>Paul Brodeur</i> | <i>32nd Middlesex</i> |
| <i>William N. Brownsberger</i> | <i>Second Suffolk and Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Evandro C. Carvalho</i> | <i>5th Suffolk</i> |
| <i>Nick Collins</i> | <i>4th Suffolk</i> |
| <i>Daniel Cullinane</i> | <i>12th Suffolk</i> |
| <i>Linda Dorcena Forry</i> | <i>First Suffolk</i> |
| <i>Sean Garballey</i> | <i>23rd Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Russell E. Holmes</i> | <i>6th Suffolk</i> |
| <i>David M. Rogers</i> | <i>24th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Daniel J. Ryan</i> | <i>2nd Suffolk</i> |

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By Mr. Mark of Peru, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2899) of Paul W. Mark and others for legislation to establish a home heating commission. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)

An Act to establish a home heating commission.

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: A special commission referred to as the Home Heating Commission is
2 hereby established consisting of 10 members. The commission shall include: the Commissioner
3 of the Department of Energy Resources or a designee, the Commissioner of the Department of
4 Public Utilities or a designee, the Secretary of the Executive Office of Health and Human
5 Services or a designee, the Secretary of the Executive Office of Housing and Economic
6 Development or a designee, the Senate Chair of the Joint Committee on Telecommunications,
7 Utilities, and Energy or a designee, the House Chair of the Joint Committee on
8 Telecommunications, Utilities, and Energy or a designee, 1 member from the Low-Income
9 Energy Affordability Network, 1 member from the Massachusetts Association for Community
10 Action, 1 member from the Massachusetts Energy Directors Association, and 1 member
11 representing a program administrator of the Mass Save program.

12 SECTION 2: The Home Heating Commission shall investigate program and policy
13 options that reduce heating costs and greenhouse gas emissions, and promote more energy
14 efficient heating systems in single family and multi-family residential buildings. The commission
15 shall recommend opportunities and ways to implement or expand the reach of those programs
16 and policies in Massachusetts, including but not limited to, the Three Year Energy Efficiency
17 Plan for 2016-2018 mandated by the Green Communities Act of 2008 The commission shall file
18 its report including findings and recommendations, together with any draft legislation, with the
19 clerks of the house of representatives and the senate and the chairs of the house and senate
20 committees on ways and means not later than July 1, 2015.