

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2937**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Michael J. Finn*

*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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relating to the replacement of gas meters..

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Michael J. Finn*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*6th Hampden*

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By Mr. Finn of West Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2937) of Michael J. Finn for legislation to extend the required gas meter replacement time from every seven years to every fifteen years. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**

An Act relating to the replacement of gas meters..

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled,  
2 and by the authority of the same, as follows:

3 Section 115A of Chapter 164 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2010 Official  
4 Edition is hereby amended by striking out, in line 2, the word “seven” and inserting in place  
5 thereof the following word:- fifteen.

6 Section 115A of Chapter 164 of the general laws, as so appearing, is hereby further  
7 amended by adding, in the first paragraph after the words “in accordance with law”, the  
8 following:- ; provided however, that a gas company or municipal lighting plant may petition the  
9 department for approval of an alternate gas meter replacement plan and the department may  
10 approve such an alternate plan upon a determination that the plan is consistent with the public  
11 interest.