

HOUSE No. 3360

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Sarah K. Peake

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 municipal energy plans.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Sarah K. Peake</i>	<i>4th Barnstable</i>	<i>2/9/2021</i>
<i>Susan L. Moran</i>	<i>Plymouth and Barnstable</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Michelle L. Ciccolo</i>	<i>15th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Tami L. Gouveia</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>	<i>4/12/2021</i>

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By Ms. Peake of Provincetown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3360) of Sarah K. Peake and others for legislation to enhance certified municipal energy plans.
Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 4261 OF 2019-2020.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act relative to municipal energy plans.

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 134(b) of chapter 164 of the General Laws, as as appearing in the
2 2018 official edition, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence in lines 101-104 of the
3 second paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following:

4 Notwithstanding any other general or special law to the contrary, the municipality or
5 group of municipalities with a certified energy plan shall not be prohibited from proposing an
6 energy efficiency investment plan that contains enhancements which are more specific, detailed
7 or comprehensive or which cover additional subject areas than those contained in a jointly
8 prepared energy efficiency investment plan submitted in accordance with section 21(b)(1) of
9 chapter 25. Such enhancements may be funded by any funding source authorized by section
10 19(a) of chapter 25. In no event shall the department withhold approval of such enhancements

- 11 due to considerations of cost efficiency or ratepayer impact if such enhancements are cost
- 12 effective in accordance with the department's cost effectiveness screening.