

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kimberly N. Ferguson

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 light plant emergency mutual aid.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Kimberly N. Ferguson	1st Worcester	1/12/2023
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex	1/24/2023
Adam Scanlon	14th Bristol	1/24/2023
Patricia A. Duffy	5th Hampden	1/24/2023
Hannah Kane	11th Worcester	1/25/2023
F. Jay Barrows	1st Bristol	1/25/2023
Angelo L. D'Emilia	8th Plymouth	1/25/2023
Kelly W. Pease	4th Hampden	1/25/2023
Susan Williams Gifford	2nd Plymouth	1/26/2023
Kathleen R. LaNatra	12th Plymouth	1/26/2023
Meghan Kilcoyne	12th Worcester	1/27/2023
Joseph D. McKenna	18th Worcester	1/27/2023
Edward R. Philips	8th Norfolk	2/9/2023
Jonathan D. Zlotnik	2nd Worcester	3/1/2023

By Representative Ferguson of Holden, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3699) of Kimberly N. Ferguson and others relative to municipal light plant emergency mutual aid. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court (2023-2024)

An Act relative to municipal light plant emergency mutual aid.

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 133 of Chapter 164 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2020
2	Official Edition is hereby amended by adding in the third paragraph at line 12 after the words
3	"plant." The following sentence:
4	"Any municipal lighting plant providing emergency mutual aid may sell, rent, or lease
5	equipment, fixtures, and goods of any description related to the provision of emergency mutual
6	aid"
7	And said section is further amended by adding after the fifth paragraph the following
8	sentence:
9	"Any employee of a municipal lighting plant providing emergency mutual aid, shall be
10	covered by the provisions of chapter thirty-two, sections one to twenty-eight, inclusive, as may
11	be amended from time to time, and shall have the same rights and privileges thereunder, as if

- 12 performing such duties within the scope of his employment including voluntary assignments
- 13 authorized by the employer."
- 14 And said section is further amended by adding in the sixth paragraph at line 27 after the
- 15 words "utility", the following words:
- 16 "or its employees"