

HOUSE No. 4230

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Linda Dean Campbell

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 publicly owned treatment works reserve power systems.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Linda Dean Campbell</i>	<i>15th Essex</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>William L. Crocker, Jr.</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>
<i>Lori A. Ehrlich</i>	<i>8th Essex</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>
<i>Carmine L. Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Barbara A. L'Italien</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Andres X. Vargas</i>	<i>3rd Essex</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>

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By Mrs. Campbell of Methuen, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Linda Dean Campbell and others relative to the reserve power systems of publicly owned treatment works. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to publicly owned treatment works reserve power systems.

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 43 of chapter 21 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by inserting after paragraph (10) the following paragraph:-

3 (10½) A permit for discharge from publicly owned treatment works shall require that
4 the applicant conduct regular systems assessments to ensure the maintenance at all times of a
5 reliable and sufficient source of on-site reserve power that is fully independent of the regional
6 electricity grid and capable of operating the facility at a capacity necessary to fully meet demand
7 for a period exceeding any reasonably anticipated unscheduled power outage from said
8 electricity grid. The division shall promulgate regulations establishing the frequency of the
9 reserve power assessment; provided, however, that the regulations shall require the assessments
10 to be conducted not less frequently than quarterly.