

SENATE No. 2332

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Fourteen
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SENATE, Thursday, July 31, 2014

The committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2278) of Richard T. Moore for legislation relative to the automatic renewal of certain propane gas contracts,- reports the accompanying bill (Senate, No. 2332).

For the committee,
Benjamin B. Downing

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An Act relative to the protection of propane gas ratepayers.

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 94 of chapter 93 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by amended by inserting after the first paragraph the
3 following two paragraphs:-

4 Any contract or agreement for the sale of propane must be in writing and contain all the
5 terms and conditions for delivery and the amount of fees, charges, surcharges, or penalties
6 allowed by law. No written contract or agreement for the sale of propane between a dealer and
7 retail consumer can have an automatic renewal clause unless the consumer has the right to
8 terminate at the end of the initial term or subsequent anniversary date, with 30 days' written
9 notice.

10 Any propane gas dealer who operates in the commonwealth must clearly and
11 conspicuously post their propane daily delivery price for residential customers on its website.