

SENATE No. 2715

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

SENATE, February 2, 2022.

The committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, to whom was referred the petitions (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2127) of Michael J. Barrett, Jason M. Lewis, Lindsay N. Sabadosa, Mark C. Montigny and other members of the General Court for legislation to analyze future need for electric vehicle infrastructure within the commonwealth; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2128) of Michael J. Barrett, Jason M. Lewis, Lindsay N. Sabadosa, Joanne M. Comerford and other members of the General Court for legislation to facilitate electric vehicle ownership among low- and middle-income families; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2129) of Michael J. Barrett, Jason M. Lewis, Lindsay N. Sabadosa, Barry R. Finegold and other members of the General Court for legislation to make electric vehicles more affordable; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2137) of Joseph A. Boncore for legislation to protect broadband access in the Commonwealth; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2143) of Joanne M. Comerford for legislation to protect consumers from unreasonable utility rate increases; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2146) of Cynthia Stone Creem and Harriette L. Chandler for legislation to promote net neutrality and consumer protection; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2152) of Brendan P. Crighton, Christina A. Minicucci and James B. Eldridge for legislation to establish the gateway cities renewable, efficient, and electrified neighborhoods initiative; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2153) of Julian Cyr for legislation to empower communities to transition to renewable energy; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2155) of Julian Cyr for legislation to enhance reliability of renewable resources in the Commonwealth; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2157) of Julian Cyr for legislation relative to renewable energy generation and market efficiency; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2160) of Diana DiZoglio and Adam J. Scanlon for legislation to prohibit misleading telemarketer calls to consumers; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2161) of Diana DiZoglio for legislation to create a Department of Utilities Disaster Relief Fund; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2162) of Diana DiZoglio for legislation relative to transparency, accountability, and fairness impacting utility rates; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2163) of Diana DiZoglio for legislation relative to gas leaks and infrastructure; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2164) of Diana DiZoglio for legislation relative to pole health; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2165) of James B. Eldridge, Mike Connolly, Jack Patrick

Lewis, Tami L. Gouveia and other members of the General Court for legislation to increase solar rooftop energy; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2166) of James B. Eldridge, Vanna Howard, Joanne M. Comerford and Michael O. Moore for legislation to ensure gas safety and consumer fairness; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2167) of James B. Eldridge, Carolyn C. Dykema, Joanne M. Comerford and Michael O. Moore for legislation to increase funding and enhance the mission of the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2168) of James B. Eldridge, Joanne M. Comerford, Michael O. Moore and Tami L. Gouveia for legislation to ensure access to solar energy for all communities; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2169) of James B. Eldridge, Joanne M. Comerford, Lindsay N. Sabadosa and Michael O. Moore for legislation to support solar distribution; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2170) of James B. Eldridge, Jason M. Lewis, Brandy Fluker Oakley, Erika Uytterhoeven and other members of the General Court for legislation to invest in a prosperous, clean commonwealth by 2030; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2171) of James B. Eldridge, Joanne M. Comerford and Michael O. Moore for legislation to remove barriers for municipal power communities to become green communities; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2172) of Ryan C. Fattman for legislation relative to the protection of propane gas ratepayers; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2173) of Paul R. Feeney, Joan B. Lovely, John C. Velis, Thomas M. Stanley and other members of the General Court for legislation to ensure safety and transparency in pipeline repair; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2175) of Paul R. Feeney for legislation to reduce administrative burden for government and industry; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2176) of Paul R. Feeney, David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf, Walter F. Timilty and Maria Duaine Robinson for legislation to promote gas safety; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2177) of Paul R. Feeney, Walter F. Timilty and Maria Duaine Robinson for legislation relative to natural gas shut-off valves, gate boxes and public safety; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2178) of Paul R. Feeney for legislation relative to the safety and protection of utility work and construction sites; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2179) of Barry R. Finegold, Jack Patrick Lewis and Christina A. Minicucci for legislation to eliminate gas leaks; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2181) of Cindy F. Friedman for legislation relative to the failure to remove existing utility poles; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2182) of Anne M. Gobi and Joanne M. Comerford for legislation relative to monthly minimum reliability contributions; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2183) of Anne M. Gobi for legislation relative to injury caused by poles, wires, cables and apparatus; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2185) of Adam Gomez for legislation to provide for community-based green infrastructure in Western Massachusetts; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2187) of Adam G. Hinds, Joanne M. Comerford, Jack Patrick Lewis, Michael O. Moore and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to MassSAVE for vehicles; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2188) of Adam G. Hinds for legislation relative to the Department of Public Utilities' proceedings and gas pipelines; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2189) of Adam G. Hinds for legislation relative to public utilities that operate in public rights of way; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2190) of Adam G. Hinds for legislation to provide oversight to leverage economic security in rural Massachusetts; (accompanied by bill,

Senate, No. 2193) of Adam G. Hinds for legislation to further our commitment to non-carbon emitting energy sources; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2195) of John F. Keenan for legislation relative to wifi and cellular infrastructure along rail lines; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2199) of Jason M. Lewis for legislation relative to reasonable municipal expenses; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2200) of Jason M. Lewis, Kenneth I. Gordon, Jack Patrick Lewis, Carmine Lawrence Gentile and other members of the General Court for legislation to establish a comprehensive statewide policy concerning streaming entertainment services and the recovery of municipal costs for the management and maintenance of digital infrastructure; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2204) of Michael O. Moore, Diana DiZoglio, Bruce E. Tarr, Tricia Farley-Bouvier and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to utility meters and the rights of utility ratepayers; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2205) of Michael O. Moore and Diana DiZoglio for legislation relative to transparency in private utility construction contracts; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2206) of Susan L. Moran, Sarah K. Peake, Timothy R. Whelan and Michael O. Moore for legislation relative to responsible emergency planning; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2207) of Susan L. Moran, Sarah K. Peake, Timothy R. Whelan and Michael O. Moore for legislation relative to the prompt decommissioning of nuclear power stations; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2208) of Patrick M. O'Connor, Michael O. Moore and Elizabeth A. Malia for legislation to provide solar energy to state agencies; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2209) of Patrick M. O'Connor, James M. Murphy, Mark J. Cusack, John F. Keenan and others for legislation relative to air monitoring stations; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2211) of Patrick M. O'Connor and Michael D. Brady for legislation relative to community liaisons; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2212) of Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation relative to hydrokinetic energy; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2213) of Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation relative to solar-powered mobility networks; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2214) of Patrick M. O'Connor, John F. Keenan, Walter F. Timilty and Mark J. Cusack for legislation relative to the impact of natural gas transfer facilities on public health; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2215) of Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation to create a deposit for glass wine and liquor bottles; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2233) of Michael F. Rush for legislation to reduce gas leaks; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2234) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation to ensure public safety at natural gas sites; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2235) of Bruce E. Tarr, Tami L. Gouveia and Hannah Kane for legislation to sustain natural and working lands carbon in communities; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2238) of John C. Velis for legislation relative to the maximum storage charges on motor vehicles involuntarily towed; and (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2596) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Joanne M. Comerford and Adam G. Hinds for legislation to allow municipalities to reasonably regulate solar siting, reports the accompanying Order (Senate, No. 2715).

For the committee,
Michael J. Barrett

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1 *Ordered*, That the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy be authorized
2 and directed to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents numbered
3 2127, 2128, 2129, 2137, 2143, 2146, 2152, 2153, 2155, 2157, 2160, 2161, 2162, 2163, 2164,
4 2165, 2166, 2167, 2168, 2169, 2170, 2171, 2172, 2173, 2175, 2176, 2177, 2178, 2179, 2181,
5 2182, 2183, 2185, 2187, 2188, 2189, 2190, 2193, 2195, 2199, 2200, 2204, 2205, 2206, 2207,
6 2208, 2209, 2211, 2212, 2213, 2214, 2215, 2233, 2234, 2235, 2238 and 2596 relative to
7 telecommunications, utilities and energy issues.