HOUSE No. 02618

The Commonw	vealth of Massachusetts
PR	ESENTED BY:
Pe	eter V. Kocot
To the Honorable Senate and House of Representati Court assembled:	ives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General
The undersigned legislators and/or citizens	respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill
An Act relative	to farm energy production
P	ETITION OF:
NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Peter V. Kocot	1st Hampshire

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By Mr. Kocot of Northampton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2618) of Kocot that the Renewable Energy Trust Fund be authorized to award grants for the development of farmbased renewable energy Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE

□ HOUSE , NO. *3089* OF 2009-2010.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to farm energy production

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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. Paragraph (1) of subsection (f) of section 4E of chapter 40J of the General Laws is
- 2 hereby amended by inserting after the word "engine" the following: "...provided, further, that
- 3 the board may make grants from the fund, not to exceed a total of \$1,000,000 annually, in
- 4 support of Massachusetts farms and farm organizations, including Communities Involved in
- 5 Sustaining Agriculture (CISA) and the Pioneer Valley Growers Cooperative and its member
- 6 farms, to develop farm-based renewable energy capabilities, including wind harvesting, methane
- 7 capture and combustion, solar and photovoltaic energy sources to reduce energy costs for
- 8 Massachusetts farmers."