

HOUSE No. 2836

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Marjorie C. Decker and Sean Garballey

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 re-powering Massachusetts with 100 percent renewable energy.

PETITION OF:

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HOUSE No. 2836

By Representatives Decker of Cambridge and Garballey of Arlington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2836) of Marjorie C. Decker and others relative to renewable energy. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act re-powering Massachusetts with 100 percent renewable energy.

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. Chapter 25C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after said chapter the following chapter:-

3 CHAPTER 25D.

4 100 Percent Renewable Energy Act

5 Section 1. The purpose of this chapter is to steadily transition the commonwealth to 100
6 per cent clean, renewable energy by 2045 in order to (1) protect the health and safety of all
7 residents of the commonwealth; (2) eliminate pollution that is contaminating our air, water and
8 land, and changing our climate in dangerous ways; (3) improve quality of life and economic
9 well-being for all, with an emphasis on environmental justice communities and other populations
10 that have been disproportionately affected by pollution and energy costs; (4) increase energy
11 security by reducing our reliance on imported fuels and maximizing renewable energy
12 production in our region; and (5) stimulate investment and create local jobs by harnessing

13 Massachusetts’ skilled workforce, business leadership, and academic institutions to advance
14 renewable energy technologies across the commonwealth.

15 Section 2. As used in this chapter the following words shall have the following meanings
16 unless the context clearly requires otherwise:-

17 “Building sector,” the energy consumed to heat, cool, provide hot water for, and provide
18 electricity for buildings in the commonwealth. The building sector shall not include energy used
19 for heavy industrial activities.

20 “Commissioner,” the commissioner of the department of energy resources

21 “Department,” the department of energy resources

22 “Emission,” as defined in chapter 21N of the General Laws.

23 “Environmental justice communities,” neighborhoods identified as Environmental Justice
24 Populations under the Environmental Justice Policy of the executive office of energy and
25 environmental affairs.

26 “Greenhouse gas,” as defined in chapter 21N of the General Laws.

27 “Non-emitting,” produced from clean, renewable sources without emitting greenhouse
28 gas emissions or other harmful pollutants at the time of energy generation. Examples of non-
29 emitting renewable energy include solar, wind, tidal, and geothermal energy.

30 “Non-renewable energy,” energy produced from any source that fails to meet one or more
31 of the criteria for renewable energy.

32 “Renewable energy,” energy produced from sources that meet all of the following
33 criteria:

34 · (1) Virtually pollution-free, producing little to no global warming pollution or
35 health-threatening pollution;

36 · (2) Inexhaustible, coming from natural sources that are regenerative or practically
37 unlimited;

38 · (3) Safe, having minimal impacts on the environment, community safety and
39 public health; and

40 · (4) Efficient, a wise use of resources.

41 Electricity generated by Class I or Class II renewable energy generating sources, as
42 defined in section 11F of chapter 25A of the General Laws, shall be considered renewable
43 energy for the purposes of this section. Electricity generated with any other technology shall not
44 be considered renewable energy, unless the department of energy resources has added that
45 technology to the list of Class I or Class II eligible technologies under subsection (f) of section
46 11F of chapter 25A of the General Laws.

47 Energy usage sectors that have historically relied on the on-site combustion of fossil
48 fuels, including but not limited to heating and transportation, shall be considered to be powered
49 with renewable energy to the extent that they: (1) are powered with electricity generated by Class
50 I or Class II renewable energy generating sources, as defined in section 11F of chapter 25A of
51 the General Laws; (2) are powered with other forms of renewable energy, such as solar thermal

52 or geothermal energy; or (3) make use of non-motorized or passive technologies to avoid the
53 consumption of energy.

54 “Secretary,” the secretary of energy and environmental affairs

55 “Sector,” a major category of energy usage in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

56 Sectors shall include electricity generation, heating, transportation, and industry, and may
57 include other major categories as identified by the department of energy resources.

58 “Subsector,” a subcategory within a sector of energy usage, characterized by a common
59 energy generation technology, industry, application, end-use sector, or type of consumer.

60 “Transportation sector,” the technologies and uses of energy that are applied to move
61 people, goods, and services within, into, and out of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
62 including non-motorized forms of transportation such as walking and bicycling.

63 “Zero net energy building,” an energy-efficient building where, on a source energy basis,
64 the actual annual delivered energy is less than or equal to the on-site renewable exported energy.

65 Section 3. (a) It shall be the goal of the commonwealth to meet 100 per cent of
66 Massachusetts’ energy needs with renewable energy by 2045, including the energy consumed for
67 electricity, heating and cooling, transportation, agricultural uses, industrial uses, and all other
68 uses by all residents, institutions, businesses, state and municipal agencies, and other entities
69 operating within its borders.

70 (b) It shall be the goal of the commonwealth to obtain 100 per cent of the electricity
71 consumed by all residents, institutions, businesses, state and municipal agencies, and other
72 entities operating within its borders from renewable energy sources by 2035.

73 (c) In meeting these goals, the commonwealth and its agencies shall prioritize (1) models
74 for local and community ownership of renewable energy generation, (2) sources of renewable
75 energy that are located in Massachusetts or elsewhere in New England, (3) sources of renewable
76 energy that represent additional renewable generation capacity added to the grid, (4) non-
77 emitting sources of renewable energy, (5) reducing energy consumption through efficiency
78 measures to the greatest extent practicable. In all of its plans to achieve 100 percent renewable
79 energy, the commonwealth and its agencies shall prioritize bringing direct health and financial
80 benefits to environmental justice communities.

81 Section 4. (a) In order to integrate the goal of 100 per cent renewable energy throughout
82 state government operations, the secretary shall establish an administrative council for the clean
83 energy transition not later than 90 days from the passage of this act.

84 (b) The council shall be chaired by the secretary or the secretary's designee; and shall
85 include a representative from the department of environmental protection, the department of
86 energy resources, the department of public utilities, the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center, the
87 office of the governor, and the executive offices of administration and finance, education, health
88 and human services, housing and economic development, labor and workforce development,
89 public safety and security, and transportation and public works. The council shall also include a
90 representative designated by the attorney general, the treasurer and receiver general, the secretary
91 of the commonwealth, the state auditor, and the President of the University of Massachusetts.
92 The council shall also include a member designated by the secretary of education to represent the
93 community college system and a member designated by the secretary of education to represent
94 the the state university system. The governor may appoint additional representatives from state
95 agencies or quasi-public agencies to the council.

96 (c) The council shall identify all existing laws, regulations, and programs of the
97 Commonwealth with an impact on energy production and consumption, and evaluate them based
98 on (1) their potential to accelerate or hinder the state’s transition to 100 per cent renewable
99 energy and (2) their ability to maximize the environmental and economic benefits of the
100 transition for Massachusetts residents and businesses, particularly but not exclusively for
101 environmental justice communities and communities that have been impacted by energy-related
102 pollution.

103 (d) Each executive department and quasi-public agency shall conduct a review of the
104 laws, regulations, and programs in its jurisdiction, and submit a report to the council describing
105 how these laws, regulations, and programs can be modified in order to accelerate the transition to
106 100 per cent renewable energy. Each executive department and quasi-public agency shall further
107 consider how modifying its programs to accelerate the transition to 100 per cent renewable
108 energy can help achieve the department or agency’s other objectives.

109 (e) The secretary shall publish the council’s findings under subsections (c) and (d) of this
110 section within 6 months of the formation of the council. The secretary and the council shall
111 review and update these findings every 3 years from the date of initial publication.

112 (f) Within one year from the passage of this act, the council shall determine a date by
113 which the operations of state government will be powered with 100 percent renewable energy,
114 provided that the date is not later than January 1, 2035. Within eighteen months of the passage of
115 this act, each executive department and quasi-public agency shall present a plan to achieve this
116 goal for the facilities and activities in its jurisdiction. Each executive department and quasi-
117 public agency shall report on its progress to the council and update its plan annually.

118 (g) The council shall meet at least once per quarter to review progress in modifying laws,
119 regulations, and programs to accelerate the transition to 100 per cent renewable energy. These
120 meetings shall be open to members of the public and shall provide opportunities for public
121 comment. At least one of these meetings shall be held in an environmental justice community
122 each year.

123 Section 5. (a) The commonwealth shall establish a clean energy center of excellence at a
124 public institution of higher education to conduct and sponsor research on (1) renewable energy
125 and energy efficiency technologies; (2) effective practices for renewable energy adoption by
126 residents, institutions, businesses, state and municipal agencies, and other entities; (3) barriers
127 preventing access to renewable energy, particularly but not exclusively for environmental justice
128 communities; and (4) community outreach models and other tools to increase the adoption of
129 renewable energy, particularly for environmental justice communities.

130 (b) The center shall be advised by a 15-member committee composed of experts
131 knowledgeable in (1) renewable energy, energy efficiency, and energy storage technologies; (2)
132 architecture, building engineering, and construction; (3) transportation; (4) affordable housing;
133 (5) environmental justice; and (6) other relevant fields.

134 Section 6. (a) The commonwealth shall establish a council for clean energy workforce
135 development. The council shall be co-chaired by the commissioner of the department of energy
136 resources and the secretary of labor and workforce development. The council shall include at
137 least one representative from each of the following: the Massachusetts AFL-CIO, the
138 Massachusetts Building Trades Council, organizations serving environmental justice
139 populations, renewable energy businesses, occupational training organizations, economic

140 development organizations, community development organizations, the Massachusetts Clean
141 Energy Center, the executive office of education, the University of Massachusetts, the state
142 universities, and the community colleges.

143 (b) The council shall identify those workers currently working in the energy sector, their
144 current wage and benefits packages, and their current training requirements. The council shall
145 further identify the employment potential of the energy efficiency and renewable energy industry
146 and the skills and training needed for workers in those fields, and make recommendations to the
147 governor and the general court for policies to promote employment growth and access to jobs in
148 those fields. No recommendation of the council shall reduce the training required for clean
149 energy jobs, and the council shall seek to ensure that clean energy employment will provide
150 middle class wages, as provided in sections 26 through 27F of chapter 149 of the General Laws,
151 along with high-quality health insurance and pensions. The council shall prioritize maximizing
152 employment opportunities for residents of environmental justice communities, minorities,
153 women and workers displaced in the transition to clean, renewable energy. Said employment
154 opportunities shall comply with the provisions of chapter 151B and be in line with minority and
155 women workforce participation goals established by the Equal Opportunity, Non-discrimination
156 and Affirmative Action program of Massachusetts.

157 (c) No later than January 1, 2021, the council shall establish a target for the number of
158 Massachusetts residents working in the clean energy industry by 2025. The council shall also
159 establish a target for the number of those jobs held by residents of environmental justice
160 communities, proportional to the percentage of Massachusetts residents who live in
161 environmental justice communities, and the number of those jobs held by workers displaced in

162 the transition to clean, renewable energy. The council shall create similar targets for each
163 subsequent five-year period.

164 (d) At least annually, the council shall submit a report to the general court and the
165 governor recommending changes to existing state policies and programs to meet the targets set in
166 subsection (c).

167 (e) The council shall meet at least once per quarter to review progress in expanding
168 renewable energy employment. These meetings shall be open to members of the public and shall
169 provide opportunities for public comment. At least one of these meetings shall be held in an
170 environmental justice community each year.

171 Section 7. (a) In consultation with the administrative council for the clean energy
172 transition and the clean energy center of excellence, the department shall conduct a study
173 identifying pathways towards 100 percent renewable energy for the building sector, and the
174 policies necessary for all new buildings to be zero net energy buildings by 2030 and for non-
175 renewable energy consumption to be reduced for existing buildings by 50 percent by 2030.

176 (b) The study shall consider how to expand access to non-emitting renewable energy
177 technologies for heating, cooling, and electricity, increase access to energy efficiency programs,
178 and minimize costs, particularly but not exclusively for residents of environmental justice
179 communities

180 (c) The department shall hold at least two public meetings to seek input on the design of
181 the study. At least one of these meetings shall be held in an environmental justice community.

182 (d) The department shall present the results of this study to the administrative council for
183 the clean energy transition not later than one year from the passage of this act. The department
184 shall review and update this study every five years, considering technological developments,
185 demographic changes, the effectiveness of existing programs and policies, and other factors.

186 Section 8. (a) The department shall determine the overall quantity of energy consumed
187 statewide in the calendar year 2018 across all sectors and the percentage of energy consumed
188 that came from renewable energy sources, using the best available data. This determination shall
189 include an analysis of the percentage of renewable energy consumed in Massachusetts that was
190 produced (1) in Massachusetts; (2) in Maine, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Rhode Island, and
191 Vermont; and (3) in states not previously listed or in other countries or territories.

192 (b) The department shall also determine (1) the amount of energy consumed in any
193 individual sector or subsector representing more than 1 percent of total statewide energy
194 consumption, (2) the types and sources of energy consumed in that sector or subsector, and (3)
195 the percentage of the overall energy consumed in that sector or subsector that came from
196 renewable energy sources.

197 (c) The department shall publish a similar analysis of renewable and non-renewable
198 energy consumption on at least a triennial basis and for the years 2030, 2040, and 2045. This
199 analysis shall include the amount, percentage, types, and sources of renewable and non-
200 renewable energy consumed across all sectors statewide and in the individual sectors and
201 subsectors identified under subsection (b), as well as any additional sectors or subsectors that
202 have since come to represent at least 1 percent of total statewide energy consumption.

203 (d) The department shall establish interim limits for the overall percentage of
204 Massachusetts' energy to come from non-renewable sources: (1) in 2030, no more than 50
205 percent non-renewable energy; and (2) in 2040, no more than 20 percent non-renewable energy.
206 The department shall also establish interim limits on non-renewable energy in the individual
207 sectors and subsectors identified under subsections (b) and (c). These interim limits shall
208 maximize the ability of the Commonwealth to achieve 100 percent renewable energy by 2045.

209 (e) The department shall establish interim non-renewable energy limits for 2030 and 2040
210 concurrently with the department of environmental protection's establishment of interim 2030
211 and 2040 limits on greenhouse gas emissions pursuant to subsection (b) of section 3 of chapter
212 21N of the General Laws. The department of environmental protection and the department of
213 energy resources shall establish interim limits on non-renewable energy and greenhouse gas
214 emissions for 2030 and 2040 no later than December 31, 2020.

215 (f) The interim limit on greenhouse gas emissions for 2030 shall reduce emissions by at
216 least 50 per cent below the 1990 level, and the interim limit on greenhouse gas emissions for
217 2040 shall reduce emissions by at least 80 per cent below the 1990 level, as determined by the
218 department of environmental protection under subsection (a) of section 3 of said chapter 21N.

219 (g) The interim limits on non-renewable energy consumption and greenhouse gas
220 emissions for 2030 and 2040 shall be considered binding caps and shall be legally enforceable by
221 any citizen of the Commonwealth.

222 Section 9. (a) The department and other state agencies overseeing sectors or subsectors of
223 energy consumption shall promulgate regulations establishing declining annual limits on the
224 percentage of non-renewable energy consumed by the sectors and subsectors identified in

225 subsections (b) and (c) of section 8 of this chapter. These regulations shall reduce the use of non-
226 renewable energy at a rate sufficient to meet the interim 2030 and 2040 limits on non-renewable
227 energy consumption, as well as the 2045 goal of 100 percent renewable energy. In adopting these
228 regulations, the department and other state agencies shall consider how to minimize costs and
229 maximize economic, social, public health, and environmental benefits for fossil fuel workers
230 displaced in the transition to renewable energy and residents of environmental justice
231 communities.

232 (b) The department and other state agencies shall develop these regulations concurrent
233 with the department of environmental protection's development of regulations to reduce
234 greenhouse gas emissions under subsection (d) of section 3 of chapter 21N of the General Laws.

235 (c) Concurrent with any regulations promulgated under subsection (a), the department
236 and other relevant state agencies shall issue and adopt standards for the impermissible
237 disproportionate distribution of environmental and economic burdens and benefits for any class
238 of protection identified by the Environmental Justice Policy of the executive office of energy and
239 environmental affairs. No regulation promulgated under subsection (a) may promote an
240 impermissible disproportionate distribution of environmental or economic burdens or benefits, as
241 prohibited under the standards set forth under this paragraph.

242 (d) The department of energy resources and the department of environmental protection,
243 along with other agencies that oversee sectors or subsectors of energy consumption or
244 greenhouse gas emissions, shall promulgate regulations under subsection (a) of section 9 of this
245 chapter and subsection (d) of section 3 of chapter 21N of the General Laws not later than
246 December 31, 2020, to meet the 2030 interim limits on greenhouse gas emissions and non-

247 renewable energy consumption; and not later than December 31, 2028, to meet the 2040 interim
248 limits on greenhouse gas emissions and non-renewable energy consumption; and not later than
249 December 31, 2038, to achieve 100 percent renewable energy by 2045.

250 (e) The department of energy resources, the department of environmental protection, and
251 other state agencies may jointly promulgate regulations to satisfy limits on greenhouse gas
252 emissions and non-renewable energy consumption.

253 (f) The regulations promulgated under subsection (a) of section 9 of this chapter and
254 subsection (d) of section 3 of chapter 21N of the General Laws are intended to result in real,
255 permanent reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and the use of non-renewable energy resulting
256 from activities in the commonwealth. These regulations shall remain in effect indefinitely, until
257 repealed or unless otherwise specified in the regulation.

258 Section 10. Municipal lighting plants shall be required to purchase 100 percent of their
259 electricity from renewable energy sources by 2035, and in each subsequent year thereafter. Each
260 municipal light plant shall file a plan with the department no later than December 31, 2021,
261 indicating how it will achieve this target, including year-by-year benchmarks. For the purposes
262 of this section, a municipal lighting plant may not count renewable electricity it has generated or
263 purchased toward this requirement if the renewable attributes of that electricity have been
264 claimed by another utility, individual, institution, business, state or municipal agency, or other
265 entity.

266 Section 11. The department shall establish a renewable heating trust fund to subsidize the
267 conversion of residential and commercial buildings from fossil fuel heating to non-emitting
268 heating technologies powered by renewable energy. The department shall designate a dedicated

269 funding source for the trust fund, shall establish procedures to disburse funds to building owners
270 and tenants, and shall develop a public education and outreach program to educate building
271 owners and tenants about non-emitting heating technologies powered by renewable energy.

272 Section 12. (a) The department, together with the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center,
273 the executive office for administration and finance, the division of capital asset management and
274 maintenance, and other state agencies, shall identify opportunities to expand solar and other
275 renewable energy generation capacity on state-owned facilities and land. The department and the
276 division of capital asset management and maintenance, in consultation with other state agencies,
277 shall install an additional 100 megawatts of solar and other renewable energy generation capacity
278 on state properties by December 31, 2022. If there is insufficient state-owned land available to
279 install 100 megawatts of renewable energy generation capacity without negatively affecting the
280 commonwealth's natural and historic resources, the commonwealth shall purchase, lease, or
281 otherwise obtain the right to install solar energy on enough privately-owned land and buildings
282 to install 100 megawatts of renewable energy generation capacity. Renewable energy facilities
283 installed under this section shall not cause undue harm to the commonwealth's natural and
284 historic resources.

285 (b) The department and the division of capital asset management and maintenance,
286 together with other state agencies, shall establish a goal for the amount of additional renewable
287 energy generation capacity installed on state-owned facilities and lands in each subsequent five-
288 year period beginning in 2022. The goal for each five-year period shall be not less than 25
289 megawatts of renewable energy generation capacity. The department and the division of capital
290 asset management and maintenance, together with other state agencies, shall install enough
291 renewable energy generation capacity to meet the goal for each five-year period.

292 (c) Renewable energy generation facilities installed under the provisions of this section
293 shall be exempt from limits on the aggregate net metering capacity of net metering facilities of a
294 municipality or other government entity, and from limits on the maximum amount of generating
295 capacity eligible for net metering by a municipality or other governmental entity, under
296 subsection (f) of section 139 of chapter 164 of the General Laws.

297 (d) On an annual basis, the division of capital asset management and maintenance shall
298 track the upfront cost of renewable energy projects installed under the provisions of this section,
299 and the revenue and energy cost savings accruing to the state and its agencies from those projects
300 through net metering credits, electricity sales, the sale of renewable energy credits, other state,
301 regional, or federal incentive programs, and other sources of revenue or energy cost savings.

302 (e) Annually, the division of capital asset management and maintenance shall determine
303 which renewable energy projects have paid back their initial costs with revenue and energy cost
304 savings. These projects shall be known as revenue positive projects. Once this determination has
305 been made, any future revenue or energy cost savings from revenue positive projects, less the
306 ongoing cost of maintaining these projects, shall be credited into a clean energy workforce
307 development account at the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center. Such funds shall be held in an
308 account separate from other accounts of the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center. In any year in
309 which revenue from renewable energy projects on state properties is not sufficient to credit at
310 least \$5 million into the clean energy workforce development account, the department shall
311 direct funds from alternative compliance payments under subsection (h) of section 11F of the
312 General Laws to bring the total contribution to \$5 million.

313 (f) The executive office of energy and environmental affairs and the executive office of
314 labor and workforce development shall direct the use of funds from the clean energy workforce
315 development account, in consultation with the council for clean energy workforce development.
316 These funds shall be used to provide job training, education, and job placement assistance for
317 Massachusetts residents to work in the clean energy and energy efficiency industry.

318 (g) At least half of the funds spent from the clean energy workforce development account
319 on an annual basis shall be spent on programs and initiatives that primarily benefit fossil fuel
320 workers displaced in the transition to renewable energy or residents of environmental justice
321 communities.

322 (h) The department and the division of capital asset management and maintenance shall
323 submit an annual report to the governor, the general court, and the council for clean energy
324 workforce development, describing progress towards meeting goals for renewable energy
325 installations on state properties, the costs and revenue associated with each project, and the
326 amount of revenue generated for the clean energy workforce development account.

327 (i) The executive office of energy and environmental affairs and the executive office of
328 labor and workforce development shall submit a report annually to the governor, the general
329 court, and the council for clean energy workforce development, describing the expenditure of
330 funds from the clean energy workforce development account.

331 SECTION 2. Chapter 6C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition,
332 is hereby amended by inserting after section 76 the following section:-

333 Section 77. (a) The department of transportation shall conduct a study identifying
334 pathways towards 100 percent renewable energy for the transportation sector and the policies
335 necessary to power the transportation sector with at least 50 percent renewable energy by 2030.

336 (b) The study shall give preference to transportation options that (1) increase access to
337 mass transportation and non-motorized transportation across all income levels; (2) minimize
338 costs, particularly for environmental justice communities; and (3) maximize access to
339 employment centers.

340 (c) Without limitations on the department of transportation’s evaluation of effective
341 statewide transportation options, the study shall consider the feasibility, cost effectiveness, and
342 environmental and economic benefits of high-speed rail service between major urban centers in
343 Massachusetts, including Boston, Worcester, and Springfield.

344 (d) The department shall hold at least two public meetings to seek input on the design of
345 the study. At least one of these meetings shall be held in an environmental justice community.

346 (e) The department of transportation shall publish the findings from this study not later
347 than 1 year from the passage of this act. The department shall review and update this study every
348 5 years, considering technological developments, demographic changes, the effectiveness of
349 existing programs and policies, and other factors.

350 SECTION 3. Section 1 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016
351 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the definition of “Buyback interest” the
352 following definition:-

353 “Climate-related financial risk,” risk that may include material financial risk posed to the
354 fund by the effects of the changing climate, such as intense storms, rising sea levels, higher
355 global temperatures, economic damages from carbon emissions, and other financial and
356 transition risks due to public policies to address climate change, shifting consumer attitudes, and
357 changing economics of traditional carbon-intense industries.

358 SECTION 4. Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition,
359 is hereby amended by inserting after section 105 the following section:-

360 Section 106. The PRIM board shall take climate-related financial risk, among other risks,
361 into account when making investment decisions. The public shall be informed whether the PRIM
362 board will continue to consider climate-related financial risk in investment decisions.

363 SECTION 5. Subsection (a) of section 11F of chapter 25A of the General Laws, as
364 appearing in the 2016 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the third sentence and
365 inserting in place thereof the following words:- Every retail supplier shall provide a minimum
366 percentage of kilowatt-hours sales to end-use customers in the commonwealth from Class I
367 renewable energy generating sources, according to the following schedule: (1) an additional 1
368 per cent of sales by December 31, 2003, or 1 calendar year from the final day of the first month
369 in which the average cost of any renewable technology is found to be within 10 per cent of the
370 overall average spot-market price per kilowatt-hour for electricity in the commonwealth,
371 whichever is sooner; (2) an additional one-half of 1 per cent of sales each year thereafter until
372 December 31, 2009; (3) an additional 1 per cent of sales every year thereafter until December 31,
373 2018; (4) an additional 2 per cent of sales every year thereafter until December 31, 2019; (5) an
374 additional 3 per cent of sales every year thereafter until December 31, 2020; (6) an additional 4

375 per cent of sales every year thereafter until December 31, 2022; (7) an additional 5 per cent of
376 sales every year thereafter until December 31, 2025; and (8) an additional 6 per cent of sales
377 every year thereafter.

378 SECTION 6. Section 11F of chapter 25A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016
379 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out subsection (b) and inserting in place thereof
380 the following words:- (b) For the purposes of this subsection, a renewable energy generating
381 source is one which generates electricity using any of the following: (1) solar photovoltaic or
382 solar thermal electric energy; (2) wind energy; (3) ocean thermal, wave or tidal energy; (4) fuel
383 cells utilizing renewable fuels; (5) landfill gas; (6) naturally flowing water and hydroelectric; (7)
384 low emission advanced biomass power conversion technologies using fuels such as by-products
385 or waste from agricultural crops, food or animals, energy crops, biogas, liquid biofuel including
386 but not limited to biodiesel, organic refuse-derived fuel, or algae; or (8) geothermal energy. A
387 renewable energy generating source may be located behind the customer meter within the ISO-
388 NE, as defined in section 1 of chapter 164, control area if the output is verified by an
389 independent verification system participating in the New England Power Pool Generation
390 Information System, in this section called NEPOOL GIS, accounting system and approved by
391 the department.

392 SECTION 7. Section 11F of chapter 25A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016
393 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out subsection (c) and inserting in place thereof
394 the following words:- (c) New renewable energy generating sources meeting the requirements of
395 this subsection shall be known as Class I renewable energy generating sources. For the purposes
396 of this subsection, a Class I renewable energy generating source is one that began commercial
397 operation after December 31, 1997, or represents the net increase from incremental new

398 generating capacity after December 31, 1997 at an existing facility, where the facility generates
399 electricity using any of the following: (1) solar photovoltaic or solar thermal electric energy; (2)
400 wind energy; (3) ocean thermal, wave or tidal energy; (4) fuel cells utilizing renewable fuels; (5)
401 landfill gas; (6) energy generated by new hydroelectric facilities, or incremental new energy
402 from increased capacity or efficiency improvements at existing hydroelectric facilities; provided,
403 however, that (i) each such new facility or increased capacity or efficiency at each such existing
404 facility must meet appropriate and site-specific standards that address adequate and healthy river
405 flows, water quality standards, fish passage and protection measures and mitigation and
406 enhancement opportunities in the impacted watershed as determined by the department in
407 consultation with relevant state and federal agencies having oversight and jurisdiction over
408 hydropower facilities; (ii) only energy from new facilities having a capacity up to 30 megawatts
409 or attributable to improvements that incrementally increase capacity or efficiency by up to 30
410 megawatts at an existing hydroelectric facility shall qualify; and (iii) no such facility shall
411 involve pumped storage of water or construction of any new dam or water diversion structure
412 constructed later than January 1, 1998; (7) low emission advanced biomass power conversion
413 technologies using fuels such as by-products or waste from agricultural crops, food or animals,
414 energy crops, biogas, liquid biofuel including but not limited to biodiesel, organic refuse-derived
415 fuel, or algae; (8) marine or hydrokinetic energy as defined in section 3; or (9) geothermal
416 energy. A Class I renewable generating source may be located behind the customer meter within
417 the ISO-NE control area if the output is verified by an independent verification system
418 participating in the NEPOOL GIS accounting system and approved by the department.

419 SECTION 8. Section 11F of chapter 25A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016
420 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out subsection (d) and inserting in place thereof

421 the following words:- (d) Every retail electric supplier providing service under contracts
422 executed or extended on or after January 1, 2009, shall provide a minimum percentage of
423 kilowatt-hour sales to end-use customers in the commonwealth from Class II renewable energy
424 generating sources. For the purposes of this section, a Class II renewable energy generating
425 source is one that began commercial operation before December 31, 1997 and generates
426 electricity using any of the following: (1) solar photovoltaic or solar thermal electric energy; (2)
427 wind energy; (3) ocean thermal, wave or tidal energy; (4) fuel cells utilizing renewable fuels; (5)
428 landfill gas; (6) energy generated by existing hydroelectric facilities, provided that such existing
429 facility shall meet appropriate and site-specific standards that address adequate and healthy river
430 flows, water quality standards, fish passage and protection measures and mitigation and
431 enhancement opportunities in the impacted watershed as determined by the department in
432 consultation with relevant state and federal agencies having oversight and jurisdiction over
433 hydropower facilities; and provided further, that only energy from existing facilities up to 7.5
434 megawatts shall be considered renewable energy and no such facility shall involve pumped
435 storage of water nor construction of any new dam or water diversion structure constructed later
436 than January 1, 1998; (7) low emission advanced biomass power conversion technologies using
437 fuels such as by-products or waste from agricultural crops, food or animals, energy crops, biogas,
438 liquid biofuel including but not limited to biodiesel, organic refuse-derived fuel, or algae; (8)
439 marine or hydrokinetic energy as defined in section 3; or (9) geothermal energy. A Class II
440 renewable generating source may be located behind the customer meter within the ISO-NE
441 control area provided that the output is verified by an independent verification system
442 participating in the NEPOOL GIS accounting system and approved by the department.

443 SECTION 9. The provisions of this act shall become effective 90 days from the passage
444 of this act, except where otherwise specified.