

HOUSE No. 2887

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 reducing the cost of electricity for Massachusetts ratepayers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Bradford R. Hill</i>	<i>4th Essex</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>
<i>David K. Muradian, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>
<i>Kevin J. Kuros</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>
<i>Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2887) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others relative to the cost of electricity for ratepayers. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2947 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**
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An Act relative to reducing the cost of electricity for Massachusetts 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 138 of chapter 164 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012
2 Official Edition, is hereby further amended by striking out paragraph 4 and inserting, in the place
3 thereof, the following paragraph:— ‘Class I net metering credit’, a credit equal to the excess
4 kilowatt-hours by time of use billing period, if applicable, multiplied by the sum of the
5 distribution company’s: (i) default service kilowatt-hour charge in the ISO-NE load zone where
6 the customer is located; (ii) distribution kilowatt-hour charge; (iii) transmission kilowatt-hour
7 charge; and (iv) transition kilowatt-hour charge; provided, however, that this shall not include
8 the demand side management and renewable energy kilowatt-hour charges set forth in sections
9 19 and 20 of chapter 25; and provided further, that credit for a Class I net metering facility not
10 using more than 50% of the facility’s on site generation, as compared to the three (3) year

11 average use on the site, shall be equal to the excess kilowatt-hours by time of use billing period,
12 if applicable, multiplied by the monthly basic service price for the applicable rate class; and
13 provided further, that credit for a Class I net metering facility that is not an agricultural net
14 metering facility or is not using solar, anaerobic digestion or wind as its energy source shall be
15 the average monthly clearing price at the ISO-NE.

16 SECTION 2. Section 138 of chapter 164 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
17 amended by striking out paragraph 6 and inserting, in the place thereof, the following
18 paragraph:— ‘Class II net metering credit’, a credit equal to the excess kilowatt-hours by time of
19 use billing period, if applicable, multiplied by the sum of the distribution company’s: (i) default
20 service kilowatt-hour charge in the ISO-NE load zone where the customer is located; (ii)
21 distribution kilowatt-hour charge; (iii) transmission kilowatt-hour charge; and (iv) transition
22 kilowatt-hour charge; provided, however, that this shall not include the demand side
23 management and renewable energy kilowatt-hour charges set forth in sections 19 and 20 of
24 chapter 25; and provided, further, that credit for a Class II net metering facility not using more
25 than 50% of the facility’s on site generation, as compared to the three (3) year average use on the
26 site, shall be equal to the excess kilowatt-hours by time of use billing period, if applicable,
27 multiplied by the monthly basic service price for the applicable rate class.

28 SECTION 2. Section 138 of chapter 164, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking
29 out paragraph 8 and inserting, in the place thereof, the following paragraph:— ‘Class III net
30 metering credit’, a credit equal to the excess kilowatt-hours by time of use billing period, if
31 applicable, multiplied by the sum of the distribution company’s: (i) default service kilowatt-hour
32 charge in the ISO-NE load zone where the customer is located; (ii) transmission kilowatt-hour
33 charge; and (iii) transition kilowatt-hour charge; provided, however, that for a Class III net

34 metering facility of a municipality or other governmental entity, the credit shall be equal to the
35 excess kilowatt-hours multiplied by the sum of (i), (ii) and (iii) and the distribution kilowatt-hour
36 charge; and provided further, that this shall not include the demand side management and
37 renewable energy kilowatt-hour charges set forth in sections 19 and 20 of chapter 25; and
38 provided, further, that credit for a Class III net metering facility not using more than 50% of the
39 facility's on site generation, as compared to the three (3) year average use on the site, shall be
40 equal to the excess kilowatt-hours by time of use billing period, if applicable, multiplied by the
41 monthly basic service price for the applicable rate class.