

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2896**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Paul W. Mark***

*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 solar power and the green economy.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Paul W. Mark</i>	<i>2nd Berkshire</i>
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Natalie M. Blais</i>	<i>1st Franklin</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>
<i>Daniel R. Carey</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>
<i>Mike Connolly</i>	<i>26th Middlesex</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Mindy Domb</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>Daniel M. Donahue</i>	<i>16th Worcester</i>
<i>Dylan A. Fernandes</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>
<i>Carmine Lawrence Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Carlos Gonzalez</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>
<i>James K. Hawkins</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>

<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>
<i>Kevin G. Honan</i>	<i>17th Suffolk</i>
<i>Daniel J. Hunt</i>	<i>13th Suffolk</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>Jay D. Livingstone</i>	<i>8th Suffolk</i>
<i>Adrian C. Madaro</i>	<i>1st Suffolk</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>
<i>Frank A. Moran</i>	<i>17th Essex</i>
<i>Brian W. Murray</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>
<i>Marc R. Pacheco</i>	<i>First Plymouth and Bristol</i>
<i>Alice Hanlon Peisch</i>	<i>14th Norfolk</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>Rebecca L. Rausch</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>
<i>Alan Silvia</i>	<i>7th Bristol</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>
<i>John C. Velis</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>
<i>Tommy Vitolo</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>

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By Mr. Mark of Peru, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2896) of Paul W. Mark and others for legislation to establish a solar program to encourage the development of solar photovoltaic technology. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

An Act relative to solar power and the green economy.

*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 25A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
2 section 11I the following section:-

3 Section 11J. The department shall establish a commonwealth solar program to encourage  
4 the development of solar photovoltaic technology by residential, commercial, governmental and  
5 industrial electric customers throughout the commonwealth. The program shall be structured to  
6 achieve 17.5 per cent solar electricity, measured by the sale of retail electricity to end-use  
7 customers in the commonwealth, by December 31, 2025, and 25 per cent solar electricity by  
8 December 31, 2030.

9 SECTION 2. Section 11F of chapter 25A of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
10 amended by striking out, in lines 16 and 17, the words “(3) an additional 1 per cent of sales each  
11 year thereafter until December 31, 2019; (4) an additional 2 per cent of sales each year thereafter  
12 until December 31, 2029; and (5) an additional 1 per cent of sales every year thereafter.” and

13 inserting in place thereof the following words:- (3) an additional 1 per cent of sales every year  
14 until December 31, 2019; and (4) an additional 3 per cent of sales every year thereafter.

15 SECTION 3. Section 139 of said chapter 164, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
16 striking out subsection (f), and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:-

17 (f) The maximum amount of generating capacity eligible for net metering by a  
18 municipality or other governmental entity shall be 10 megawatts.