

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2916**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Denise Provost*

*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 affirming that consumers not be forced to pay capital costs of natural gas pipelines.

PETITION OF:

| NAME:                         | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:       |
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| <i>Denise Provost</i>         | <i>27th Middlesex</i>   |
| <i>Christina A. Minicucci</i> | <i>14th Essex</i>       |
| <i>Christine P. Barber</i>    | <i>34th Middlesex</i>   |
| <i>Michael S. Day</i>         | <i>31st Middlesex</i>   |
| <i>Mindy Domb</i>             | <i>3rd Hampshire</i>    |
| <i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>     | <i>10th Plymouth</i>    |
| <i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i>  | <i>3rd Berkshire</i>    |
| <i>Colleen M. Garry</i>       | <i>36th Middlesex</i>   |
| <i>Carlos Gonzalez</i>        | <i>10th Hampden</i>     |
| <i>James K. Hawkins</i>       | <i>2nd Bristol</i>      |
| <i>Michael O. Moore</i>       | <i>Second Worcester</i> |
| <i>Brian W. Murray</i>        | <i>10th Worcester</i>   |
| <i>Tram T. Nguyen</i>         | <i>18th Essex</i>       |
| <i>Maria Duaine Robinson</i>  | <i>6th Middlesex</i>    |
| <i>José F. Tosado</i>         | <i>9th Hampden</i>      |
| <i>Tommy Vitolo</i>           | <i>15th Norfolk</i>     |

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By Ms. Provost of Somerville, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2916) of Denise Provost and others relative to prohibiting electric customer support for gas pipeline expansions. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1769 OF 2017-2018.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)  
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An Act affirming that consumers not be forced to pay capital costs of natural gas pipelines.

*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 94A of chapter 164 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out, lines  
2 1 and 2, the words "No gas or electric company shall hereafter enter into a contract for the  
3 purchase of gas or electricity" and inserting in place thereof, the following words: "No gas  
4 company shall hereafter enter into a contract for the purchase of gas, and no electric company  
5 shall hereafter enter into a contract for the purchase of electricity."

6 Said section 94A of chapter 164 is further amended by inserting, in line 15, after the  
7 sentence ending "null and void." the following sentence: "No gas company may contract for  
8 electricity pursuant to this section; and no electric company may contract for gas pursuant to this  
9 section."