

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Orlando Ramos and Jay D. Livingstone

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 ensuring a healthy future for environmental justice communities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Orlando Ramos	9th Hampden	2/19/2021
Jay D. Livingstone	8th Suffolk	2/19/2021
Lindsay N. Sabadosa	1st Hampshire	2/22/2021
Tami L. Gouveia	14th Middlesex	2/22/2021
Jacob R. Oliveira	7th Hampden	2/23/2021
Christine P. Barber	34th Middlesex	2/23/2021
Jessica Ann Giannino	16th Suffolk	2/23/2021
Marcos A. Devers	16th Essex	2/23/2021
Danillo A. Sena	37th Middlesex	2/24/2021
Dylan A. Fernandes	Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket	2/24/2021
David Allen Robertson	19th Middlesex	2/25/2021
Carlos González	10th Hampden	2/26/2021
Liz Miranda	5th Suffolk	2/26/2021
Michelle L. Ciccolo	15th Middlesex	2/26/2021
Bud L. Williams	11th Hampden	2/26/2021
Nika C. Elugardo	15th Suffolk	2/26/2021
Adam Gomez	Hampden	3/9/2021
Patricia A. Duffy	5th Hampden	3/10/2021

Elizabeth A. Malia	11th Suffolk	3/15/2021
Carmine Lawrence Gentile	13th Middlesex	3/15/2021
David M. Rogers	24th Middlesex	3/18/2021
Tram T. Nguyen	18th Essex	3/22/2021
Mike Connolly	26th Middlesex	4/5/2021

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By Messrs. Ramos of Springfield and Livingstone of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3362) of Orlando Ramos, Jay D. Livingstone and others relative to the location and classification of certain renewable energy generating sources in relation to their proximity to environmental justice communities. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court (2021-2022)

An Act ensuring a healthy future for environmental justice communities.

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 11F of Chapter 25A of the General Law, as appearing in the 2018

2 Official Edition, is hereby amended, by adding after subsection (i) the following new subsection:

3 (j) A new renewable energy generating source that begins commercial operation after

4 July 31, 2021, or an existing facility that increases its generating capacity after July 31, 2021,

5 shall not qualify as a "Class I" renewable generating source if: (1) it is located within a distance

6 of 5 miles of a neighborhood that is defined as an environmental justice population pursuant to

7 Section 62 of chapter 30 of the General Laws, and, (2) the operation of the renewable energy

8 generating source to produce energy causes the release of air pollutants.