

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3385**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Paul Brodeur***

*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 promoting agricultural energy production and reducing greenhouse gases.

PETITION OF:

| NAME:                         | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:                 |
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| <i>Paul Brodeur</i>           | <i>32nd Middlesex</i>             |
| <i>Patricia A. Haddad</i>     | <i>5th Bristol</i>                |
| <i>Christopher M. Markey</i>  | <i>9th Bristol</i>                |
| <i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>   | <i>1st Worcester</i>              |
| <i>James M. Cantwell</i>      | <i>4th Plymouth</i>               |
| <i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i> | <i>12th Hampden</i>               |
| <i>Michael S. Day</i>         | <i>31st Middlesex</i>             |
| <i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>   | <i>14th Bristol</i>               |
| <i>Paul A. Schmid, III</i>    | <i>8th Bristol</i>                |
| <i>John W. Scibak</i>         | <i>2nd Hampshire</i>              |
| <i>Jason M. Lewis</i>         | <i>Fifth Middlesex</i>            |
| <i>Harriette L. Chandler</i>  | <i>First Worcester</i>            |
| <i>Barbara A. L'Italien</i>   | <i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i> |
| <i>Josh S. Cutler</i>         | <i>6th Plymouth</i>               |
| <i>Steven Ultrino</i>         | <i>33rd Middlesex</i>             |
| <i>Sarah K. Peake</i>         | <i>4th Barnstable</i>             |
| <i>James B. Eldridge</i>      | <i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>    |
| <i>Sean Garballey</i>         | <i>23rd Middlesex</i>             |

*Bruce E. Tarr*  
*David M. Rogers*

*First Essex and Middlesex*  
*24th Middlesex*

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By Mr. Brodeur of Melrose, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3385) of Paul Brodeur and others relative to utilizing anaerobic digestion technology electric energy renewable generating sources. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**

An Act promoting agricultural energy production and reducing greenhouse gases.

*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 1 1F of chapter 25A of the General Laws, as amended by the  
2 chapter 188 of the acts of 2016 is hereby further amended by adding the following subsection: -

3 j. The department shall adopt regulations that provide that the electric energy  
4 renewable generating sources that qualify as Class I under subsection (c)(7) by utilizing anaerobic  
5 digestion technology with by-products or waste from agricultural crops, food or animals and  
6 located on land used for agriculture, as defined under section 1A of chapter 128, shall count  
7 double with respect to the minimum percentage calculated under subsection (a).

8 SECTION 2. Subsection (i) of section 139 of chapter 164 of the General Laws, amended  
9 by chapter 75 of the acts of 2016, is hereby further amended by adding the following sentence: -

10 An agricultural net metering facility utilizing anaerobic digestion technology or  
11 an anaerobic digestion net metering facility shall be exempt from aggregate net metering

- 12 capacity caps under subsection (f), and may net meter and accrue Class I, II, or III net metering
- 13 credits.