

SENATE No. 1827

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael D. Brady

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 the construction of generating facilities.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | |
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| <i>Michael D. Brady</i> | <i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i> | |
| <i>Michelle M. DuBois</i> | <i>10th Plymouth</i> | <i>2/1/2017</i> |

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By Mr. Brady, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1827) of Michael D. Brady and Michelle M. DuBois for legislation relative to the construction of generating facilities. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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

An Act relative to the construction of generating facilities.

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 164 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the
2 following section:-

3 Section 69J1/4A. Notwithstanding any general or special law, rule or regulation to the
4 contrary no natural gas generating facilities shall be located in an area which is less than 1 mile
5 in linear distance from an environmental justice community, playground, licensed day-care
6 center, school, church, area of critical environmental concern, as determined by the secretary of
7 environmental affairs pursuant to 301 CMR 12.00, or an area occupied by residential housing.

8 This linear distance shall be measured from any point along a generating facility to the outermost
9 point of aforementioned zones; provided, however, that repairs or replacements that do not
10 increase megawatts generated in any generating facility in operation prior to January 1, 2017,
11 shall not be subject to this section.