

SENATE No. 2013

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 public safety at natural gas sites.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Diana DiZoglio</i>	<i>First Essex</i>	
<i>William L. Crocker, Jr.</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>	<i>1/3/2019</i>
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>	<i>1/3/2019</i>
<i>Marc T. Lombardo</i>	<i>22nd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/3/2019</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/24/2019</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>	<i>1/4/2019</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>	<i>1/4/2019</i>
<i>Donald H. Wong</i>	<i>9th Essex</i>	<i>1/14/2019</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/7/2019</i>
<i>Thomas P. Walsh</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Dean A. Tran</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>	<i>1/9/2019</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>	<i>1/10/2019</i>
<i>Peter Capano</i>	<i>11th Essex</i>	<i>1/15/2019</i>
<i>Christina A. Minicucci</i>	<i>14th Essex</i>	<i>1/18/2019</i>
<i>Rebecca L. Rausch</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>	<i>1/24/2019</i>
<i>Tram T. Nguyen</i>	<i>18th Essex</i>	<i>1/28/2019</i>

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2013) of Bruce E. Tarr, Diana DiZoglio, William L. Crocker, Jr., Kenneth I. Gordon and other members of the General Court for legislation to ensure public safety at natural gas sites. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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

An Act ensuring public safety at natural gas sites.

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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Department
2 of Public Utilities shall develop, promulgate, and maintain regulations to ensure that natural gas
3 pressure is monitored by qualified personnel on each site where where is being performed that
4 involves the pressurization and/or depressurization of transmission lines, as is necessary to
5 protect public safety and to prevent damage to property.

6 SECTION 2. The department shall promulgate initial regulations pursuant to section 1
7 not later than 180 days following the passage of this act.