

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2156**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Julian Cyr*

*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 improving reliability and resiliency of electricity distribution infrastructure.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Julian Cyr*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Cape and Islands*

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By Mr. Cyr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2156) of Julian Cyr for legislation relative to improving reliability and resiliency of electricity distribution infrastructure. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1944 OF 2019-2020.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act relative to improving reliability and resiliency of electricity distribution infrastructure.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, upon the undertaking of a  
2           significant project on a public way exposing wastewater infrastructure, and with sufficient  
3           notice, a municipality or the commonwealth shall submit written notification of the project to the  
4           electrical utility. The utility shall survey the project area for the reliability of electrical  
5           distribution lines and review repair and replacement schedules for electrical lines in the project  
6           area. The utility shall also assess the resiliency of electrical transmission lines relative to climate  
7           resiliency, including but not limited to impacts from coastal storms. The electrical utility shall  
8           provide the repair and replacement schedule of transmission lines to the municipality or the  
9           commonwealth.