

SENATE No. 2176

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Pavel M. Payano

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 sparking the construction of 21st century buildings.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Pavel M. Payano

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Essex

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By Mr. Payano, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2176) of Pavel M. Payano for legislation to spark the construction of 21st century buildings. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act sparking the construction of 21st century buildings.

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 6 of chapter 25A of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 inserting after clause (14), inserted by section 31 of chapter 8 of the Acts of 2021, the following
3 2 clauses:-

4 (15) develop and incorporate into the specialized stretch energy code developed and
5 promulgated pursuant to clause (14), in consultation with the board of building regulations and
6 standards, requirements for mandatory solar photovoltaic panel installation for all buildings
7 deemed suitable for installation by the department. Develop and incorporate into the stretch
8 energy code requirements for buildings to be made PV Ready for all buildings deemed suitable
9 for future installation by the department; and

10 (16) The base code shall include all provisions of the stretch energy code related to the
11 latest International Energy Conservation Code, together with any more stringent energy-
12 efficiency provisions promulgated more than 36 months prior.

13 SECTION 2. Any undertaking by a federal, state, county, municipal or quasi-
14 governmental public agency for the planning, acquisition, design, construction, demolition,
15 installation, repair or maintenance of a structure shall comply with the requirement of the
16 specialized stretch energy code, as developed and promulgated pursuant to clause (14) of section
17 6 of chapter 25A of the General Laws.