

SENATE No. 3006

Senate, July 14, 2022 -- Text of the Senate amendment (Senators Lewis and Tarr) to the House Bill relative to municipal light plant participation in green communities (House, No. 4351).

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)

1 SECTION 1. Section 20 of chapter 25 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:-

3 (c) Notwithstanding subsection (b), a municipality served by a municipal lighting plant
4 that does not supply generation service outside its own service territory or does not open its
5 service territory to competition at the retail level and that has not elected to assess and remit a
6 mandatory charge pursuant to said subsection (b) may adopt a mandatory charge per kilowatt-
7 hour upon its electricity consumers on the same terms and conditions as apply to the charge
8 imposed on consumers residing in competitive distribution service territories under this section;
9 provided, however, that the municipal light plant shall collect the charge from ratepayers through
10 electric bills.

11 SECTION 2. Subsection (e) of section 10 of chapter 25A of the General Laws, as
12 appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:- In
13 adopting such regulations, the division shall require that a municipality served by a municipal
14 light plant that serves multiple municipalities shall be permitted to qualify as a green community
15 if the municipality has: (i) at least 1 customer served by an investor-owned utility; or (ii) chosen
16 to adopt the renewable energy charge pursuant to subsection (c) of section 20 of chapter 25.