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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Joan M. Menard**

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*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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act to improve water sub-metering in manufactured housing communities.

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PETITION OF:

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act to improve water sub-metering in manufactured housing communities.

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

 SECTION 1. Chapter 40 of the General Laws, is hereby amended by inserting the following new section at the end thereof:

In order to assist with assuring that all residents residing in Manufactured Housing are treated equally, water sub-metering may be required by the owner or operator of any Manufactured Housing Community in the Commonwealth; in the event that such owner or operator elects to do this, each and every resident  shall be required to share equally in any and all costs associated with such sub-metering and provided, further, that notwithstanding that this is a capital cost, this cost may be recouped by the owner or operator at the time of installation of the sub-metering and shall not collected as though it were a capital cost.