

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

George N. Peterson, Jr.

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 relative to cutting down, trimming or removing bushes and small trees.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

George N. Peterson, Jr.

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

9th Worcester

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO CUTTING DOWN, TRIMMING OR REMOVING BUSHES AND SMALL TREES.

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 5 of chapter 87 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following sentence:--
- 3 Tree wardens and their deputies shall, without a hearing, allow electric companies and
- 4 distribution companies, as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 164, to trim, cut down or remove trees
- 5 in order to maintain the delivery of electric service.