

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Morrissey, Michael (SEN)

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 providing for the annual inspection of schools, churches, hospitals, theatres, arenas, and other public buildings by gas corporations in the commonwealth.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S01941 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ANNUAL INSPECTION OF SCHOOLS, CHURCHES,
HOSPITALS, THEATRES, ARENAS, AND OTHER PUBLIC BUILDINGS BY GAS
CORPORATIONS IN THE COMMONWEALTH.

*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. Chapter 164 of the General Laws as most recently amended is hereby
2 further amended by inserting after section 105A the following new section:-
3 Section 105B. Every gas corporation or municipal gas department engaged in the distribution of
4 gas within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts shall conduct a survey of schools, student
5 quarters, day care centers, kindergartens, pre-schools, churches, hospitals, elder serviced centers,
6 nursing homes, rehabilitation centers, libraries, fire stations, police stations, theatres, arenas, and
7 all public buildings at least once annually. The survey shall include tests for gas leakage and
8 visual inspection of gas facilities in the immediate area of the service entrance.