

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

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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 promote energy efficient state government.

PETITION OF:

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S01924 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT TO PROMOTE ENERGY EFFICIENT STATE GOVERNMENT.

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. It is hereby found and declared that:
- 2 (a) Massachusetts consumers lose billions of dollars to wasteful energy use annually;
- 3 (b) Massachusetts residents and businesses bear the burden of wasteful energy use;
- 4 (c) statewide energy efficiency programs have a proven record of saving consumers money;
- 5 (d) energy efficiency provides a buffer against fuel price increases;
- 6 (e) comprehensive energy efficiency measures will enhance the reliability of our electricity
- 7 supplies by making Massachusetts less dependent on imported fossil fuels;
- 8 (f) statewide energy efficiency programs can boost the Massachusetts economy and avoid
- 9 pollution created by excessive and wasteful energy generation.

10 SECTION 2. Establishment of Energy Efficiency Goal and Priority Status

11 (a) Notwithstanding any general law to the contrary, energy efficiency is hereby paramount to
12 all other state energy policy options. Any decision regarding energy policy shall be weighed
13 against all cost-effective energy efficiency strategies.

14 (b) The goal of the commonwealth is to achieve by 2016, through energy efficiency measures, a
15 twenty percent (20%) reduction from 2006 levels of energy consumption per unit of output in the
16 commonwealth of Massachusetts.

17 SECTION 3. Definitions.

18 In this section, the following words shall have the following meanings:

19 “Agency,” state agency.

20 “Director,” the director of the division of energy resources.

21 “Department,” the department of telecommunications and energy.

22 “Facility,” all buildings, equipment, structures, and other stationary items which are located on a
23 single site or on contiguous or adjacent sites and which are owned or operated by the same
24 person, or by any person who controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, such
25 person.

26 “Division,” the division of energy resources.

27 “Production unit,” a process, line, method, activity, or technique, or a combination or series
28 thereof, used to produce a product.

29 “State agency,” any agency or authority of the commonwealth as defined in section one of
30 chapter thirty A of the General Laws.

31 “Energy efficiency measures,” any cost effective measure which, if taken, would reduce the
32 energy used per unit of production, including:

33 (1) Product reformulation, which refers to substituting for an existing end-product an end-
34 product which requires of the consumer less energy to use that end-product upon purchase;

35 (2) Production unit redesign or modification, which refers to developing and using production
36 units of a different design than those currently used;

37 (3) Production unit modernization, which refers to upgrading or replacing existing production
38 unit equipment and methods with other equipment and methods based on the same production
39 unit;

40 (4) Improved operation and maintenance of production unit equipment and methods which
41 refers to modifying or adding to existing equipment or methods including, but not limited to,
42 such techniques as improved housekeeping practices, system adjustments, product and process
43 inspections, or production unit control equipment or methods; or

44 (5) Recycling or reuse of energy by using equipment or methods which become an integral part
45 of the production unit of concern, including but not limited to combined-cycle energy generation
46 and other high efficiency heat and electricity production methods.

47 SECTION 4. State Energy Use Inventory

48 (a) Within six months of this legislation becoming law, the division of capital asset management
49 shall complete an energy audit and inventory for the purpose of determining the most recent 3-
50 year average of energy consumption by all state facilities.

51 (1) Said audit shall calculate a baseline of kilowatt hours or Btu equivalents consumed by all
52 state agencies.

53 (2) Said audit shall be broken down by facility and by responsible agencies for the purposes of
54 energy use reduction planning by those agencies.

55 (3) Said audit shall be referred to herein as the “2009 state energy audit”.

56 (b) The division shall be responsible for completing an energy audit and inventory on an annual
57 basis and shall post results on a web site, in coordination with the division of energy resources.

58 (c) The division shall evaluate the potential for increasing the energy efficiency of each building
59 owned by a state agency or leased by such agency for at least a ten year period, and will submit
60 those assessments both to the division of energy resources, and to such agencies, departments
61 and divisions as have an energy efficiency planning interest in that facility.

62 SECTION 5. State Energy Use Reduction Requirements, State Energy Procurement Cap

63 Renewable Energy Source Requirement

64 (a) State agencies are required to reduce the annual energy consumption of their facilities by the
65 year two thousand fifteen to a level no less than twenty percent below the consumption levels of
66 those facilities as inventoried by the 2009 state energy audit following enactment of this section.

67 (b) Beginning January 1, 2011, state agencies that must exceed the consumption levels of their
68 respective facilities, as inventoried by the 2009 state energy audit, are required to procure energy
69 produced from renewable sources to meet that demand, and provide documentation to that effect
70 to the division of energy resources.

71 (c) The division of energy resources shall post on its website annually the progress each state
72 agency has made toward the ten-year energy reduction requirement, along with any requests by
73 agencies to exceed its 2009 state energy audit demand levels, along with the type and amount of
74 renewables that the state agency has procured to meet those needs.

75 (d) The division shall report to the legislature on March 1, 2020, an initial analysis of the
76 success of state agencies in meeting the twenty percent energy reduction requirements, and shall
77 submit an assessment of state energy goals for the next ten year period.

78 **SECTION 6. State Energy Efficiency Planning.**

79 (a) The division of energy resources shall, within 4 months of the effective date of this law,
80 promulgate energy efficiency planning guidelines, designed to assist state agencies in their
81 efforts to have facilities achieve energy use reduction requirements. Those guidelines shall
82 include:

83 (1) incremental energy efficiency gains that state agencies, divisions and departments must meet
84 or exceed for every year between implementation of those requirements and 2015;

85 (2) guidelines for how state agencies, divisions and departments can meet energy efficiency
86 requirements through construction, installation, leasing and retrofitting.

87 (b) Within 10 months of the effective date of this law, each state agency, in coordination with
88 the division of capital asset management, must file with the division of energy resources its plans
89 to reduce energy consumption to reach both the incremental annual efficiency requirements, and
90 the ten-year energy use reduction requirements. Following the filing of the initial plans, revised
91 plans pertaining to the following fiscal year shall be submitted to the division three months prior
92 to the end of each fiscal year.

93 SECTION 7. State procurement of energy efficient buildings and equipment.

94 (a) The division of energy resources shall establish minimum contract specifications for the
95 purchase of solar-powered or “energy efficient” products that are in the upper 25 percent of
96 energy efficiency for all similar products, or products that are at least 10 percent more efficient
97 than the minimum level that meets federal standards as determined by the U.S. Department of
98 Energy and Section 161 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992.

99 (b) The division of energy resources shall establish minimum contract specifications for the
100 purchase of computer and other office equipment that complies with the U.S. Environmental
101 Protection Agency’s “Energy Star” designation and which contains equipment to “power down”
102 pursuant to Presidential Executive Order #12845, “Requiring Agencies to Purchase Energy
103 Efficient Computer Equipment”.

104 (c) The division of energy resources shall provide assistance to all state agency and facility
105 purchasing agents in identifying products that meet the energy efficiency and renewable energy
106 guidelines included in this section.

107 SECTION 8. Lifecycle costing for state.

108 (a) Any state agency initiating the construction of a new facility, or substantial renovation of an
109 existing facility that includes the replacement of systems, components and other building
110 elements that effect energy or water consumption, and that is either owned or operated by
111 Massachusetts, shall design and construct such facility to minimize the lifecycle cost of the
112 facility by utilizing energy efficiency, water conservation or wind or solar powered energy
113 technologies, pursuant to the following criteria:

114 (1) The term “economically feasible” means providing a payback period of not more than 10
115 years as determined by a lifecycle cost analysis.

116 (2) The division of energy resources shall establish, within one year of the enactment of this
117 section, a methodology for use by agencies in assessing lifecycle costs.

118 (3) State agencies shall conduct a lifecycle cost analysis to evaluate the economic and technical
119 feasibility of using a wind powered or passive solar or active solar energy system to provide
120 lighting, space heating, water heating, or electricity. State agencies shall use wind or solar
121 powered systems when the lifecycle cost analysis has determined that such systems are
122 economically feasible.

123 (b) State agencies shall file a report with the division of energy resources for each renovation or
124 construction project demonstrating compliance with the requirements of this section.

125 (c) The division shall publish for the public an annual report on its web site detailing the
126 compliance record of all state agencies with the construction and renovation provisions of this
127 section.

128 SECTION 9. Replacement of state vehicles with high efficiency vehicles.

129 (a) Motor vehicles owned and operated by the commonwealth shall only be replaced with
130 vehicles that have average fuel efficiency ratings not less than 20 percent better than new
131 vehicles in their size classes as determined pursuant to section two A of chapter sixty-four H. No
132 state agency may approve the purchase of four wheel drive vehicles in the light truck category,
133 including so-called Sport Utility Vehicles (SUV's), without first obtaining an authorization from
134 the division of energy resources acknowledging the necessity of the purchase for a specific use
135 that cannot be met by other more fuel-efficient vehicles. The division, within six months of the
136 effective date of this act, shall promulgate parameters for what set of circumstances may be
137 considered a necessity for the purposes of this section.

138 SECTION 10. Expanded support for building code revision, enforcement.

139 The division of energy resources is authorized and directed to develop and implement programs
140 that will support the continued revision and implementation of state-of-the-art residential
141 building codes, including programs to train municipal inspectors and building contractors in new
142 efficiency techniques and materials.

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