

HOUSE No. 2847

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Lori A. Ehrlich and Marjorie C. Decker

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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act to ensure safety and transparency in pipeline repair.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Lori A. Ehrlich</i>	<i>8th Essex</i>
<i>Peter Capano</i>	<i>11th Essex</i>
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>
<i>Christine P. Barber</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>
<i>David Biele</i>	<i>4th Suffolk</i>
<i>Linda Dean Campbell</i>	<i>15th Essex</i>
<i>Harriette L. Chandler</i>	<i>First Worcester</i>
<i>Daniel R. Cullinane</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>
<i>Daniel M. Donahue</i>	<i>16th Worcester</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>
<i>Carlos Gonzalez</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>James K. Hawkins</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Stephan Hay</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>

<i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>
<i>David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf</i>	<i>17th Worcester</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul W. Mark</i>	<i>2nd Berkshire</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>Frank A. Moran</i>	<i>17th Essex</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Rebecca L. Rausch</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>
<i>Daniel J. Ryan</i>	<i>2nd Suffolk</i>
<i>José F. Tosado</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>
<i>RoseLee Vincent</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>
<i>Tommy Vitolo</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>

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By Representatives Ehrlich of Marblehead and Decker of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2847) of Lori A. Ehrlich and others relative to the use of contractors for repairing or performing work on public utility infrastructure. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act to ensure safety and transparency in pipeline repair.

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 2 of chapter 164, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition of the
2 General Laws, is hereby amended by inserting the following paragraphs:-

3 All construction, reconstruction, installation, alteration, or repair not performed by gas or
4 electric public utility employees on public infrastructure shall be performed and procured under
5 sections 26 through 27F of chapter 149 inclusive and section 39M of chapter 30. The gas and
6 electric utilities shall request from the department of labor standards prevailing wage rate sheets
7 for each municipality they are working in once every six months.

8 The department, under chapter 30A and in consultation with all gas and electric utilities,
9 shall promulgate rules and regulations for the training and implementation of a certification
10 program for contractors and their employees repairing or performing work on public
11 infrastructure in the commonwealth.