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By Mr. Casey of Winchester, petition of Paul C. Casey for legislation to authorize electric utility companies to install “SmartMeters” for tracking off-peak usage by consumers. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

AN ACT REQUIRING SMART METERS 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. Notwithstanding any General Law, Special Act, rule  
2 or regulation to the contrary, electric utility companies shall provide  
3 SmartMeters to consumers and provide discounts on their energy  
4 bills for off-peak usage.

1 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding any General Law, Special Act, rule  
2 or regulation to the contrary, municipalities in the Commonwealth  
3 shall be provided SmartMeters, at no cost, in all municipal buildings.

1 SECTION 3. For purposes of this act, the following words shall  
2 have the following meanings:

3 “SmartMeters”, referring to electric meters that identify electric  
4 consumption in greater detail than conventional meters through  
5 automated real-time or near real-time meter reads that track a con-  
6 sumer’s energy usage hour-by-hour which allows utility companies  
7 to charge different prices for power consumed at different times of  
8 the day;