

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3345**

By Mr. Patrick of Falmouth, petition of Matthew C. Patrick relative to emergency planning for licensed nuclear power plants. Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO EMERGENCY PLANNING.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

- 1 The Director of the Massachusetts Emergency Management
- 2 Agency, with the assistance of the Department of Public Health,
- 3 shall commission a study that shall consist of:—
- 4 1) identification and assessment of all public buildings in Barn-
- 5 stable County suitable for use as shelters in any radiological emer-
- 6 gency
- 7 2) the “National Fallout Shelter Survey” (NFSS) conducted by the
- 8 Federal Emergency Management Agency in nineteen hundred and
- 9 seventy-nine and eighty-three shall be reviewed and evaluated to
- 10 determine if buildings surveyed in said NFSS continue to provide
- 11 the sheltering protection factor and capacity listed in the NFSS. Said
- 12 study shall include any public buildings suitable as shelters in radio-
- 13 logical emergencies which were not included in said NFSS. Said
- 14 study shall assess buildings by square footage for capacity, as well
- 15 as dosage reduction measures. Said study shall be completed within
- 16 one calendar year of the effective date of this act. A written report of
- 17 the results and conclusions of said study shall be provided, by the
- 18 director, to the Boards of Selectmen, of each political subdivision
- 19 located in Barnstable County, and to the House and Senate Chairs of
- 20 the Joint Committee on Energy.
- 21 a) Upon the conclusion of said sheltering study, the Director shall
- 22 review the information provided by the sheltering study and deter-
- 23 mine the context of information that shall be included in an emer-
- 24 gency public information summary on the inside cover of every

25 telephone book in Barnstable County. Information on sheltering in  
26 place shall also be provided in public information summary.

27 (b) The Department of Telecommunications and Energy shall,  
28 pursuant to Section Eighteen of Chapter Twenty-five, assess the  
29 owner of Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station for the cost directly or indi-  
30 rectly associated with the sheltering study in Barnstable County. The  
31 assessment for the sheltering study, described in this section, shall  
32 not exceed one hundred thousand dollars and shall be collected and  
33 deposited into an account administered by the Massachusetts Emer-  
34 gency Management Agency.

35 (c) Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency shall, on or  
36 before January 1, 2002, establish an in-state toll-free telephone  
37 number that provides a status report on any emission levels which  
38 meet or exceed regulations that day. Such report shall also provide  
39 emergency level information pursuant to NUREG-0654.