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By Mr. Barry of Boston, petition of Frederick W. Benker and others that provision be made for automatic safety devices and shut-offs to control gas, electricity, water, steam and other power service. Public Safety.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Three.

An Act requiring the Use of Certain Safety Devices.

*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. Every private interest in the state  
2 shall provide, as far as possible, automatic safety de-  
3 vices to control gas, electricity, water, steam and  
4 other power and lighting and heating service. These  
5 devices shall be easily accessible to firemen, policemen  
6 and other authorized agents.

1 SECTION 2. Where automatic devices cannot be ap-  
2 plied there shall be placed mechanical shut-offs easily  
3 accessible to all authorized agents and departments.  
4 All devices, automatic or mechanical, shall be placed  
5 in cabinets, closets or kiosks, above the ground and  
6 in a place where catastrophe cannot destroy or inter-  
7 fere with their application.

1 SECTION 3. State and local inspectors shall make  
2 periodical inspection to see that these devices are  
3 always in working order.

1 SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its  
2 passage.