

By Mr. Cahoon of Chatham, petition of Howard C. Cahoon, Jr., for legislation to further regulate the Massachusetts residential conservation service. Government Regulations.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Two.

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE MASSACHUSETTS RESIDENTIAL CONSERVATION SERVICE.

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 3 of chapter 465 of the acts of 1980 is
2 hereby amended by striking out clause (5).

1 SECTION 2. Section 7 of said chapter 465 is hereby amended
2 by striking out subsection (c) and inserting in place thereof the
3 following subsection: —

4 (c) The charge to a customer for the audit of a single or multi-
5 family dwelling shall be the actual cost of such audit, as reduced by
6 the provisions of subsection (d); provided, however, that the custo-
7 mer may request that if such audit is conducted by an electric
8 company the cost of such audit plus interest shall be allowed over
9 12 equal monthly payments.

1 SECTION 3. Said section 7 of chapter 465 is hereby further
2 amended by striking out subsection (d) and inserting in place
3 thereof the following subsection: —

4 (d) A utility may solicit a voluntary contribution not to exceed
5 one dollar per month, from its rate payers which shall be applied to
6 the cost of energy audits under the provisions of subsection (c).

7 Such contributions shall be collected by way of a separate charge
8 on bills rendered to rate payers and shall indicate that the amount
9 specified is purely voluntary and does not have to be paid unless the
10 rate payer elects to do so.

1 SECTION 4. Said section 7 of said chapter 465 is hereby furth-
2 er amended by striking out subsection (f).