

By Mr. Lewis of Boston, petition of Arthur J. Lewis, Jr., for defining further the authority of the Department of Public Utilities relative to certain contracts and practices of gas and electric companies and other related matters. Government Regulations.

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-Nine.

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AN ACT FURTHER DEFINING THE AUTHORITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES RELATIVE TO CERTAIN CONTRACTS AND PRACTICES OF GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANIES AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS.

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

- 1 Chapter 164 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
- 2 adding the following section after section 94F thereof:—
- 3 *Section 94G.* No gas or electric company shall include in its
- 4 utility account any appliance or equipment installed on the
- 5 premises of a customer and sold, leased, loaned or donated by
- 6 the company to the customer. Nothing in this section shall
- 7 prohibit a gas or electric company from including in such
- 8 account any meter, regulator, or transformation equipment
- 9 installed on the premises of a customer.
- 10 The provisions of this section shall not prohibit a gas or
- 11 electric company from capitalizing any expenditure arising
- 12 from any contractual obligation incurred before the effective
- 13 date of this act.

