

By Mr. Shannon, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 430) of Charles E. Shannon, Anthony P. Giglio and Vincent P. Ciampa for legislation to further regulate the operation of construction of a pipeline interconnection metering station. Government Regulations.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT FURTHER REGULATING THE OPERATION OR CONSTRUCTION OF A PIPELINE INTERCONNECTION METERING STATION.

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

1 Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law
2 to the contrary, no gas company shall construct or operate a
3 pipeline interconnection metering station for the receipt or
4 distribution of gas in a city or town having a population of less
5 than 78,000 until an independent report on the need and feasibility
6 of such station has been completed. Said report shall include a
7 general economic, environmental, and safety impact study and a
8 specific study of such impact on residential areas within a half-
9 mile radius of the proposed site for such station.

10 The cost of said study and report shall be paid by the gas
11 company proposing such station.

12 Upon completion of such report, it shall be filed with the clerk
13 of the city or town where such station is proposed to be located,
14 and shall be considered a public record.

15 One hundred and eighty days after the filing of said report, the
16 governing body of such city or town shall give fourteen days notice
17 of a public hearing to be conducted for the purpose of receiving
18 commentary from concerned and impacted parties. Within ninety
19 days after such hearing, said governing body shall decide the most
20 appropriate site, if any, for such station in such city or town.

