

By Mr. Herren of Fall River, petition of Albert Herren, Daniel J. Valianti, John J. Binienda, William C. Galvin, Robert A. Durand and J. James Marzilli, Jr., relative to reorganizing the Department of Public Utilities. Government Regulations.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT REORGANIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

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 2 of Chapter Twenty-five as appearing in the General
2 Laws in the Official Edition of 1990 is hereby repealed, and
3 inserted in place thereof the following new section: —

4 Section 2. The department shall be under the supervision and
5 control of a commission consisting of three members, in this
6 chapter, called the commission. The commissioners shall serve for
7 staggered terms of six years. On March 1, 1995, the governor, with
8 the advice and consent of both houses of the legislature, shall
9 appoint one commissioner to serve until the first day of March,
10 1997, one commissioner to serve until the first day of March, 1999,
11 and one commissioner to serve until the first day of March, 2001.
12 During the month of February, 1997 and during the month of
13 February biennially, thereafter, the governor, with the advice and
14 consent of both houses of the legislature, shall appoint a
15 commissioner to succeed the commissioner whose term next will
16 expire, to serve a period for a term of six years commencing on
17 the first day of March then next following. Upon expiration of
18 the term of the chairperson, the governor may designate any
19 commissioner as chairperson. Not more than two members of said
20 commission shall be members of the same political party. The
21 positions of chairperson and each other commissioner shall be
22 classified in accordance with section forty-five of chapter thirty
23 and the salaries shall be determined in accordance with section
24 forty-six C of said chapter thirty.

