

By Mr. Hynes of Marshfield, petition of Frank M. Hynes for legislation to require the installation of carbon monoxide detectors in certain multi-family residential buildings. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT TO ENHANCE THE SAFETY OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS.

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 148 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2000
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding, after section 26E,
3 the following new section:—

4 Section 26E½.

5 (a) All new or substantially renovated buildings or structures,
6 occupied in whole or in part for residential purposes and con-
7 taining not more than six units shall be equipped with approved
8 carbon monoxide detectors in accordance with the rules and regu-
9 lations of the Board of Fire Prevention Regulations.

10 (b) All existing buildings or structures, occupied in whole or in
11 part for residential purposes and containing not more than six
12 units, shall, upon sale or transfer of such dwelling, be equipped by
13 the seller with approved carbon monoxide detectors in accordance
14 with the rules and regulations of the Board of Fire and Prevention
15 Regulations.

16 (c) The head of the fire department shall enforce the provisions
17 of this section.

