

HOUSE No. 3112

By Ms. Reinstein of Revere, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3112) of Kathi-Anne Reinstein relative to community antenna television system rates. Telecommunication, Utilities and Energy.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kathi-Anne Reinstein

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to community antenna television systems.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Kathi-Anne Reinstein

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

16th Suffolk

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3369 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine
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AN ACT RELATIVE TO COMMUNITY ANTENNA TELEVISION SYSTEMS.

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.** The first paragraph of section 15 of chapter 166A of the General Laws, as appearing in the
2 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the
3 following:-

4 The division shall study the necessity and desirability of rate regulation, and thereafter it may, upon its own motion
5 or upon request of any issuing authority or licensee, after due hearing and investigation, fix and establish, for each
6 community antenna television system in the commonwealth, a fair and reasonable rate of return from subscription
7 rates charged to subscribers, said rates to be adequate, just, reasonable and non-discriminatory provided, however
8 the maximum rate for each community antenna television system shall not exceed the lowest rate established for
9 each system in any city or town of the commonwealth.

10 **SECTION 2.** All existing rates on the effective date of this act shall be adjusted to conform with the provisions of
11 section 1.