MAKE ENERGY AFFORDABLE

SAVE MASS SAVE / SAVE ACPs / END GSEP

INVEST IN LOWER BILLS

Mass Save is an affordability multiplier

- Mass Save delivers $3.51 in energy savings for every dollar spent: a good investment.
- The $1 billion cut proposed by H.5175 would surrender more than $3 billion in future savings. Making this cut now could end Mass Save operations by next April.
- Mass Save reduces the need for costly electric grid and gas pipeline expansion, saving everyone money regardless of whether they have received direct incentives.
- Cuts would harm our clean energy industry, risking 115,000 direct and 118,000 indirect jobs.
- Asked how much Mass Save cuts would lower bills, Speaker Mariano says "the completely honest answer is that it's not going to help much at all." (Commonwealth Beacon, 3/9/2026)

PROTECT EQUITY

Mass Save is for everyone

- The 2025-27 Mass Save plan includes a $1.78 billion equity commitment, the strongest in state history. Low- and moderate-income communities are finally receiving a fairer share (53% of spending, up from 30% in 2022). Cuts would reverse these historic gains.
- Streamlined access for Designated Equity Communities has been vital. Ending income self-attestation would add unnecessary bureaucracy and harm participation.

PRESERVE SMART PROGRAMS

Alternative Compliance Payments help communities

- ACPs fund Green Communities programs, reaching 91% of the state's population, saving cities and towns $30 million a year through upgrades to municipal buildings and schools.
- ACPs fund Climate Leader grants up to $1.15 million to communities investing in efficiency.
- Since 2023, ACPs have funded affordable housing decarbonization grants ($42 million), safe and equitable battery storage ($95 million), HVAC worker training ($18 million), and on-site solar for groups serving vulnerable communities ($10 million).
- Cutting ACPs 70% would gut these programs for minimal ratepayer savings ($2.65/month).

STOP THE WASTE

The Gas System Enhancement Program (GSEP) has failed

- Massachusetts started GSEP to help utilities fix leaks. Instead, it's generated astronomical profits for gas companies while leak volume has increased 24-60%.
- GSEP costs the average household on gas more than $563 a year, up 309% since 2015.
- Ending GSEP would save ratepayers $1.4 billion over the next decade, without jeopardizing gas system safety. Utilities are already required to fix serious leaks without GSEP.

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