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Massachusetts Communities Deserve Good Jobs and Climate Justice.

In May, [we sent an ActionCall \(/usw.to/45v\)](https://usw.to/45v) asking you to contact your state legislators and advise them banning gas connections is a bad decision. While we agree that we need to address climate change, banning gas hook-ups is not the answer. These bans will drive up the cost of housing, kill good utility and construction jobs, and put our infrastructure at risk. Thank you to those who answered that call to action!

We need your help again.

Instead of banning gas connections in new and renovated buildings, we can address climate change by repurposing the existing gas system using [Renewable Natural Gas \(RNG\) \(/usw.to/45w\)](https://usw.to/45w) and Hydrogen. This would retain good USW utility worker jobs and prevent the other negative consequences of gas bans. We now need to let our Massachusetts Representatives and Senators know that they have a choice. They can address climate change, prevent bad consequences, and utilize existing infrastructure by allowing a way to repurpose the gas system.

[Check out our InfoAlert for more information on why we need to act. \(/usw.to/45x\)](https://usw.to/45x)

[Take Action Today! \(/usw.to/43P\)](https://usw.to/43P)

Please call and email BOTH your State Senator and State Representative today and let them know you and your family are against the 10 City Gas Ban.

- Click [HERE \(/usw.to/43P\)](https://usw.to/43P) to send your Representative and Senators an email and urge them to oppose S.2842, the 10 City Gas Ban.
- Click [HERE \(/usw.to/43Q\)](https://usw.to/43Q) to look up your Representative's and Senator's office phone. Call them and tell them to OPPOSE S.2842, the 10 City Gas Ban.

Now is not the time to promote disinvestment in the gas system. Working together toward our climate goals means legislators need to hear from working people like you. Massachusetts legislators need to OPPOSE S.2842, the 10 City Gas Ban.

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