

HOUSE No. 01150

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

George N. Peterson, Jr.

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 waterfowl hunting.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>George N. Peterson, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>
<i>George Ross</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Viriato Manuel deMacedo</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Anne M. Gobi</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>
<i>Daniel Winslow</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>
<i>Angelo D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>
<i>Marc Lombardo</i>	<i>22nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>Christine E. Canavan</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Steven Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>
<i>Kevin Kuros</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>
<i>John J. Binienda</i>	<i>17th Worcester</i>
<i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>

<i>Shaunna O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>Cleon H. Turner</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>
<i>Elizabeth Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Kimberly Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Matthew Beaton</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>Richard Bastien</i>	<i>2nd Worcester</i>

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By Mr. George N. Peterson of Grafton, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 01150) of Richard Bastien and others relative to the the use of dogs to hunt waterfowl during the open season on migratory waterfowl.

- - Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.
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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven
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An Act relative to waterfowl hunting.

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. Section 70 of chapter 131 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by striking the first paragraph in its entirety and inserting in place
3 thereof the following new paragraph:-

4 A person shall not, during the open season when deer may be hunted lawfully with a shotgun,
5 hunt a bird or mammal with a rifle, revolver or pistol or by the aid of a dog, or have in his
6 possession or under his control in any wood or field, a rifle, revolver or pistol, or a dog. Nothing
7 in this section shall be deemed to prohibit the use of dogs to hunt waterfowl during the open
8 season on migratory waterfowl.

9 SECTION 2. Section 71 of chapter 131 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
10 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line XXX, the words “from within a blind or from
11 a boat”.