

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1978**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Steven S. Howitt*

*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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act exempting barber shops from certain system sewage flow design criteria.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Steven S. Howitt*

*Leonard Mirra*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*4th Bristol*

*2nd Essex*

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By Mr. Howitt of Seekonk, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1978) of Steven S. Howitt and Leonard Mirra relative to exempting barber shops from certain system sewage flow design criteria. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 727 OF 2013-2014.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act exempting barber shops from certain system sewage flow design criteria.

*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 13 of chapter 21A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding after the first paragraph, the following paragraph:-  
3 The department shall not classify barber shops and beauty salons together so as to require  
4 the same system sewage flow design criteria for on-site subsurface sewage disposal. Until such  
5 time as the department classifies barber shops and beauty salons as two distinct types of  
6 commercial uses, businesses that operate exclusively as barber shops pursuant to section 87H of  
7 chapter 112, shall be exempt from any rule related to the system sewage flow design criteria for  
8 beauty salons; provided further, that any qualified barber shop as described herein shall apply to  
9 the department for a unique determination of system sewage design flow.