

HOUSE No. 3237

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Nicholas A. Boldyga

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 relative to the use of crossbows.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>
<i>Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>

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By Mr. Boldyga of Southwick, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3237) of Nicholas A. Boldyga, Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr. and Todd M. Smola for legislation to permit the use of crossbows to hunt deer during exclusive archery season. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)

An Act relative to the use of crossbows.

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 second paragraph of section 13 of chapter 131 of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the first sentence the
3 following sentence:-

4 A person issued an archery stamp may use a crossbow to hunt deer during the exclusive
5 archery season on deer.

6 SECTION 2. Section 64 of said chapter 131, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
7 adding after the word “in”, in line 3, the following words:- section 13 or.

8 SECTION 3. Section 69 of said chapter 131, as so appearing, is hereby by amended by
9 adding the following paragraph:-

10 Notwithstanding the previous paragraph, a person may use a crossbow pursuant to
11 section 13 during exclusive archery season on deer.