

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 629**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Thomas J. Calter*

*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 Mosquito Borne Disease Control Board.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Thomas J. Calter*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*12th Plymouth*

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By Mr. Calter of Kingston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 629) of Thomas J. Calter relative to the Mosquito Borne Disease Control Board. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 665 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 relative to the Mosquito Borne Disease Control Board.

*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 2 of chapter 252 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place  
3 thereof the following sentence:-

4 One employee of the department of environmental protection designated by its  
5 commissioner, one employee of the department of agricultural resources designated by its  
6 commissioner and one employee of the department of fish and game designated by its  
7 commissioner and two employees of the department of public health designated by its  
8 commissioner, one of whom represents environmental health shall constitute the state mosquito-  
9 borne disease control board, in this chapter called the board.

10           SECTION 2. Said section 2 of said chapter 252, as so appearing, is hereby further  
11 amended by adding the following paragraph:-

12           The board shall regulate and oversee all disease vector mosquito and related nuisance  
13 organism management activities in the commonwealth; prepare a state IPM mosquito plan that  
14 includes an emphasis on public education; review and certify IPM mosquito management plans  
15 submitted by mosquito districts or projects; create policies and oversee procedures for mosquito  
16 management to control vector-borne diseases; advise the governor when a public health  
17 emergency arises due to disease-bearing mosquitoes imminently threatening to public health;  
18 authorize and carry out investigations and keep records; and carry out disease-bearing mosquito  
19 management programs when a significant area of the state is affected.