

**SENATE . . . . . No. 521**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Diana DiZoglio***

*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 implementation of mesh drainage.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Diana DiZoglio*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*First Essex*

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By Ms. DiZoglio, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 521) of Diana DiZoglio for legislation relative to the implementation of mesh drainage. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act relative to the implementation of mesh drainage.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 91 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting, after section 64, the  
2 following new section:

3 Section 65. Mesh Drainage Systems:

4 Municipalities may implement mesh drainage systems in waterways, where feasible.

5 The commonwealth shall reimburse municipalities not more than \$25,000 for the cost of  
6 materials and for the installation and maintenance of mesh drainage systems; provided, however,  
7 that a municipality that installs a mesh drainage system shall be responsible for the maintenance  
8 and monitoring of such system; and provided further, that the municipality shall provide  
9 maintenance to the mesh drainage system not less than once every 2 months.