

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1017**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***William M. Straus***

*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 a cranberry water use transfer program.

PETITION OF:

| NAME:                         | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:     | DATE ADDED:      |
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| <i>William M. Straus</i>      | <i>10th Bristol</i>   | <i>2/12/2021</i> |
| <i>Steven G. Xiarhos</i>      | <i>5th Barnstable</i> | <i>3/11/2021</i> |
| <i>Kip A. Diggs</i>           | <i>2nd Barnstable</i> | <i>3/11/2021</i> |
| <i>Antonio F. D. Cabral</i>   | <i>13th Bristol</i>   | <i>3/11/2021</i> |
| <i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>      | <i>1st Barnstable</i> | <i>3/11/2021</i> |
| <i>Steven S. Howitt</i>       | <i>4th Bristol</i>    | <i>3/12/2021</i> |
| <i>Susan Williams Gifford</i> | <i>2nd Plymouth</i>   | <i>3/12/2021</i> |
| <i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i> | <i>4th Plymouth</i>   | <i>3/12/2021</i> |
| <i>F. Jay Barrows</i>         | <i>1st Bristol</i>    | <i>3/12/2021</i> |
| <i>Josh S. Cutler</i>         | <i>6th Plymouth</i>   | <i>3/12/2021</i> |
| <i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>     | <i>1st Plymouth</i>   | <i>3/30/2021</i> |

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By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1017) of William M. Straus and others relative to a cranberry water use transfer program. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 881 OF 2019-2020.]

**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 a cranberry water use transfer program.

*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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Executive  
2 Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs shall provide authorization that cranberry water use  
3 registrations and permits issued pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 21G can be used for mitigation by  
4 other permitted or registered users within the same watershed.