

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 962**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***James M. Kelcourse and Lenny Mirra***

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*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 protecting coastal communities.**

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>James M. Kelcourse</i>	<i>1st Essex</i>	<i>2/17/2021</i>
<i>Lenny Mirra</i>	<i>2nd Essex</i>	<i>2/18/2021</i>

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By Messrs. Kelcourse of Amesbury and Mirra of Georgetown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 962) of James M. Kelcourse and Lenny Mirra relative to protecting coastal communities. 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 protecting coastal communities.

*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 third from last paragraph of section 40 of chapter 131 of the general  
2 laws is hereby amended by inserting after the word “section” the following:- “provided, that  
3 when establishing such regulations, the commissioner shall permit the construction of a coastal  
4 engineering structure, as defined by 310 CMR 10.23, on coastal dunes when an emergency or  
5 exigent situation occurs, as determined by the commissioner.”