

**SENATE . . . . . No. 02274**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Michael J. Rodrigues***

*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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act designating the red-bellied cooter as the official turtle of the Commonwealth.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Michael J. Rodrigues</i>	<i>First Bristol and Plymouth</i>
<i>Christopher M. Markey</i>	<i>9th Bristol</i>
<i>Keiko M. Orrall</i>	<i>12th Bristol</i>

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By Mr. Rodrigues, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael J. Rodrigues, Christopher M. Markey and Keiko M. Orrall for legislation to designate red-bellied cooter as the official turtle of the Commonwealth. State Administration and Regulatory Oversight.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Twelve**  
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An Act designating the red-bellied cooter as the official turtle of the Commonwealth.

*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 2 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:-
- 2 An Act Designating The Red-Bellied Cooter As The Official Turtle Of The Commonwealth.
- 3 Section 60. The Red-Bellied Cooter (*Pseudemys Rubriventris*) shall be named the official turtle
- 4 of the Commonwealth.