

**SENATE . . . . . No. 484**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Bruce E. Tarr*

*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 to restore the public trust for tidelands.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Bruce E. Tarr*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*First Essex and Middlesex*

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 484) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation to restore the public trust for tidelands. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 464 OF 2015-2016.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act to restore the public trust for tidelands.

*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. Chapter 91 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereto the following new section:

3           Section 64. Exclusivity of authority

4           The authority to review and grant applications for tidelands licenses granted to the  
5 department under this chapter is exclusive and may not be delegated or assumed by any other  
6 agency without express legislative approval.