

HOUSE No. 909

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

William M. Straus and Susan L. Moran

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:
<i>William M. Straus</i>	<i>10th Bristol</i>	<i>1/13/2023</i>
<i>Susan L. Moran</i>	<i>Plymouth and Barnstable</i>	<i>1/13/2023</i>
<i>Antonio F. D. Cabral</i>	<i>13th Bristol</i>	<i>2/2/2023</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>2/23/2023</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>	<i>2/23/2023</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>	<i>2/23/2023</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/23/2023</i>

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By Representative Straus of Mattapoisett and Senator Moran, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 909) of William M. Straus, Susan L. Moran and others relative to a cranberry water use transfer program. Agriculture.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 4599 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

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 municipal permitted or registered users within the same watershed, provided that users
5 obtain the appropriate registrations and permits issued pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 21G for the
6 new water use.