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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Stanley C. Rosenberg

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:

An Act regulating disease resistant ribes.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Stanley C. Rosenberg	*Hampshire and Franklin*
Stephen Kulik	*1st Franklin*

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By Mr. Rosenberg, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 377) of Stanley C. Rosenberg and Stephen Kulik for legislation to regulate disease resistant ribes. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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An Act regulating disease resistant ribes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1: Within 180 days of enactment, the department of agricultural resources shall review and revise regulations pertaining to ribes. In the course of this review the department shall consult with the department of conservation and recreation and forestry and agricultural interests to classify species of ribes that are resistant to disease, including, but not limited to, white pine bluster. The department shall promulgate regulations for the planting, growing, propagating, cultivating, and selling of plants, roots, or cuttings of species of disease resistant ribes.