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HOUSE . . . . . No. 629

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas J. Calter

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 the Mosquito Borne Disease Control Board.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Thomas J. Calter	*12th Plymouth*

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By Mr. Calter of Kingston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 629) of Thomas J. Calter relative to the Mosquito Borne Disease Control Board. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. *665* OF 2013-2014.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)

An Act relative to the Mosquito Borne Disease Control Board.

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. Section 2 of chapter 252 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:-

One employee of the department of environmental protection designated by its commissioner, one employee of the department of agricultural resources designated by its commissioner and one employee of the department of fish and game designated by its commissioner and two employees of the department of public health designated by its commissioner, one of whom represents environmental health shall constitute the state mosquito-borne disease control board, in this chapter called the board.

10 SECTION 2. Said section 2 of said chapter 252, as so appearing, is hereby further
11 amended by adding the following paragraph:-

12 The board shall regulate and oversee all disease vector mosquito and related nuisance
13 organism management activities in the commonwealth; prepare a state IPM mosquito plan that
14 includes an emphasis on public education; review and certify IPM mosquito management plans
15 submitted by mosquito districts or projects; create policies and oversee procedures for mosquito
16 management to control vector-borne diseases; advise the governor when a public health
17 emergency arises due to disease-bearing mosquitoes imminently threatening to public health;
18 authorize and carry out investigations and keep records; and carry out disease-bearing mosquito
19 management programs when a significant area of the state is affected.