

HOUSE No. 633

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James M. Cantwell

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 reestablishing the harbors and inland waters maintenance fund.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

James M. Cantwell

4th Plymouth

Bruce J. Ayers

1st Norfolk

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By Mr. Cantwell of Marshfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 633) of James M. Cantwell and Bruce J. Ayers relative to reestablishing the harbors and inland waters maintenance fund. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 670 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**
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An Act reestablishing the harbors and inland waters maintenance fund.

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 91 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, is hereby
2 amended after section 10d by inserting the following new section:-

3 Section 10E. There is hereby established a fund to be known as the Harbors and Inland
4 Waters Maintenance Fund to which shall be credited such sums as are determined under the
5 provisions of section thirteen of chapter sixty-four A, sections forty-two, forty-three, forty-five,
6 forty-six A and forty-nine of chapter ninety-one and any sums received by the commonwealth
7 from the federal government on account of the activities of the department of environmental
8 management relative to (a) the continuous maintenance dredging; (b) cleaning of all areas within
9 the harbors, inland waters and great ponds of the commonwealth including removal of sunken
10 and abandoned vessels, derelict piers and any other obstacles deemed to be hazardous to

11 navigation; (c) maintenance of state piers; and (d) for the purpose of carrying out the provisions
12 of section thirty-one. All monies in said fund shall be subject to appropriation, and shall be used
13 only for the purpose of continuous maintenance dredging and cleaning of harbors, inland waters
14 and great ponds of the commonwealth, including removal of sunken and abandoned vessels,
15 derelict piers and any other obstacles deemed to be hazardous to navigation, by the department of
16 environmental management.