

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3852**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Jack Patrick Lewis***

*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 authorizing the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority to supply water to the town of Ashland.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>3/4/2019</i>

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By Mr. Lewis of Framingham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jack Patrick Lewis relative to the provision of water services to the town of Ashland by the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**

An Act authorizing the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority to supply water to the town of Ashland.

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to authorize the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority to supply water to the town of Ashland, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health.

*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. Paragraph (d) of section 8 of chapter 372 of the acts of 1984, as most  
2 recently amended by section 1 of chapter 350 of the acts of 2018, is hereby further amended by  
3 inserting after the word “Arlington”, in line 2 the following word:

4 “Ashland”.

5 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding section 1, the provision of water services by the  
6 Massachusetts Water Resources Authority to the town of Ashland shall commence only after the  
7 board of directors of the authority has voted approval having first made the findings as required  
8 by clauses (1) to (6), inclusive, of paragraph (d) of section 8 of chapter 372 of the acts of 1984

9 and having made other such determinations in accordance with applicable policies of the  
10 authority and after all required approvals have been received including, as applicable, other  
11 regulatory bodies where required and the advisory board of said authority, but section 71 of said  
12 chapter 372 shall not apply.