

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1851

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

***William M. Straus***

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*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 markings of lobster buoys.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>William M. Straus</i>	<i>10th Bristol</i>	<i>1/20/2011</i>
<i>Ann-Margaret Ferrante</i>	<i>5th Essex</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>

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By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1851) of William M. Straus and Ann-Margaret Ferrante for legislation to regulate the placement of certain identifying marks on traps used for lobstering. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven  
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An Act relative to the markings of lobster buoys.

*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: Chapter 130 of the Massachusetts General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 deleting both the following lines from Section 38:

3           “, which shall be burned or cut into the surface thereof”

4           “Before any buoy, pot, trap or lobster car is transferred, sold or given away the owner  
5 shall burn or cut the letter ‘T’ into the buoy, pot, trap or lobster car, after his number, to indicate  
6 that the buoy, pot, trap or lobster car has been transferred and the new owner shall burn or cut his  
7 number into the buoy, pot, trap or lobster car.”