

HOUSE No. 3820

By Ms. Benson of Lunenburg, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jennifer E. Benson (by vote of the town of Boxborough) for legislation to regulate the acquisition of ground water in said town by the Water Supply District of Acton. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture. [Local Approval Received.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act restricting the ability of the water supply district of Acton to acquire ground water sources in the town of Boxborough.

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. Section 1 of Chapter 372 of the Acts of 1963 is hereby amended by deleting
2 the text of said section and inserting in place thereof the following: Notwithstanding any
3 provision of chapter three hundred and twenty-six of the acts of nineteen hundred and twelve, no
4 ground water sources in the town of Boxborough shall be used by the Water Supply District of
5 Acton until the district and the town of Boxborough, acting through its board of selectmen,
6 jointly file a petition with the water resources commission for a finding, and the water resources
7 commission so finds that there exists in said town a source or sources of ground water adequate
8 for the future needs of said town. If such an adequate supply is found within said town, then said
9 water supply district may use the excess for said district. The provisions of this section shall not
10 prohibit any agreement by said town and said district to the contrary.

11 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.