

SENATE No. 2247

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Fourteen
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SENATE, Tuesday, July 8, 2014

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the Senate Bill creating uniform beach warnings (Senate, No. 409), reports, recommending that the same ought to pass with an amendment substituting a new draft with the same title (Senate, No. 2247).

For the committee,
Stephen M. Brewer

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An Act creating uniform beach warnings.

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 is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

2 Section 64. (a) The department of conservation and recreation shall create a uniform
3 warning and safety flag program to be used at all public beaches maintained by the department of
4 conservation and recreation. The program shall provide for a uniform size, shape, color and
5 definition for each warning and safety flag.

6 (b) A city or town having jurisdiction over a public beach along the coast may adopt the
7 uniform warning and safety flag program created by the department of conservation and
8 recreation. Subsection (a) shall take effect in a city with a Plan D or Plan E charter by a vote of
9 the city council upon submission by the city manager and in all other cities by a vote of the city
10 council with the approval of the mayor and in a town with a town council, by vote of the town
11 council and in all other towns, by a vote of the town meeting.