

SENATE No. 350

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cynthia S. Creem

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 establishing a 0% interest program for the state revolving loan fund for water and sewer projects and establishing 3:1 leveraging for such projects..

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Cynthia S. Creem

First Middlesex and Norfolk

James B. Eldridge

Middlesex and Worcester

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By Ms. Creem, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 350) of Cynthia S. Creem and James B. Eldridge for legislation to establish a 0% interest program for the state revolving loan fund for water and sewer projects and establishing 3:1 leveraging for such projects. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 344 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen
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An Act establishing a 0% interest program for the state revolving loan fund for water and sewer projects and establishing 3:1 leveraging for such projects..

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 159 of the Acts of 2000 is hereby amended by striking out section
2 57, section 58, section 371 and section 372.

3 SECTION 2. Chapter 29C of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official
4 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 18 the following section: -

5 Section 19. The water pollution abatement trust shall leverage funds in the
6 trust for disbursement to finance projects authorized pursuant to this chapter on the basis of a
7 three-to-one ratio. If in the opinion of the state treasurer, such increased leveraging is not
8 feasible, the provisions of this section shall not apply.

9 SECTION 3. Section 6 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws as so appearing, is hereby
10 amended in the second paragraph by deleting the third sentence and inserting in place thereof the
11 following sentence: -

12 “Notwithstanding the forgoing but subject to the limit on contract assistance provided in
13 this section, all permanent loans and other forms of financial assistance made by the trust to
14 finance the costs of water pollution abatement projects on the departments intended use plan for

15 calendar year 2012 and any subsequent calendar year shall provide for a subsidy or other
16 assistance on the payment of debt service thereon such that such loans and other forms of
17 financial assistance shall be the financial equivalent of a loan made at an interest equal to zero
18 per cent.”

19 SECTION 4. Subsection (g) of section 18 of said Chapter 29C of the General Laws as so
20 appearing, is hereby amended by deleting the second sentence and inserting in place thereof the
21 following sentence: -

22 “Notwithstanding the forgoing but subject to the limit on contract assistance provided in
23 this section, all permanent loans and other forms of financial assistance made by the trust to
24 finance the costs of drinking water projects on the departments intended use plan for calendar
25 year 2012 and any subsequent calendar year shall provide for a subsidy or other assistance on the
26 payment of debt service thereon such that such loans and other forms of financial assistance shall
27 be the financial equivalent of a loan made at an interest rate equal to zero per cent.”