

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2516**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Sean Garballey***

*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 Massachusetts clean water trust.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/15/2015</i>

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By Mr. Garballey of Arlington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2516) of Sean Garballey for legislation to establish a water infrastructure transaction surcharge on real estate sales. Revenue.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**

An Act relative to the Massachusetts clean water trust.

*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. Subsection (a)(v) of section 4 of chapter 29C, as so appearing in the 2014  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking, in line \_\_, the word “and” and inserting the  
3 following subsection at the end thereof:-

4 “(vi) amounts collected from a transaction surcharge of ten cents per thousand dollars on  
5 all real estate sales, provided that such funds shall be administered pursuant to section 6 of  
6 chapter 29C; and”

7 SECTION 2. Subsection (a)(vi) of section 4 of chapter 29C, as so appearing in the 2014  
8 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking, in line \_\_, the number “vi” and inserting the  
9 following in place thereof:- “vii”.

10 SECTION 3. Chapter 36 of the general laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, is  
11 hereby amended by inserting the following new section at the end thereof:-

12           “Section 119. Upon the recording or registering of any sale of real property, there shall be  
13 paid to the recorder ten cents per thousand dollars on all real estate sales as a water infrastructure  
14 surcharge. Each registrar of deeds shall forward such surcharge amounts to Massachusetts Clean  
15 Water Trust established in section 2 of chapter 29C.