

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2118**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Carolyn C. Dykema*

*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 to promote regionalization with watershed based permitting.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/19/2017</i>
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>	
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>	
<i>James M. Murphy</i>	<i>4th Norfolk</i>	

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By Ms. Dykema of Holliston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2118) of Carolyn C. Dykema and others for legislation to direct the Department of Environmental Protection to conduct a feasibility study for the implementation of watershed-based permitting. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act to promote regionalization with watershed based permitting.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           The Department of Environmental Protection shall conduct a feasibility study for the  
2   implementation of watershed-based permitting. The department shall complete a report of its  
3   findings within 1 year of the effective date of this act. A copy of the report shall be provided to  
4   the governor, the clerks of the Senate and the House of Representatives, the chairs of the House  
5   and Senate Committees on Ways and Means and the Joint Committee on Environment, Natural  
6   Resources and Agriculture.