

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 438**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Hannah Kane and Michael O. Moore***

*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 Lake Quinsigamond Commission.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>	<i>1/11/2017</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>1/13/2017</i>
<i>Harriette L. Chandler</i>	<i>First Worcester</i>	<i>1/17/2017</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>	<i>1/27/2017</i>
<i>David K. Muradian, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>	<i>1/25/2017</i>

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By Representative Kane of Shrewsbury and Senator Moore, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 438) of Hannah Kane, Michael O. Moore and others relative to the Lake Quinsigamond Commission. 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 relative to the Lake Quinsigamond Commission.

*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 294 of the special acts of 1916 is hereby amended by striking out  
2 sections 1A and 1B, as appearing in section 1 of chapter 357 of the acts of 1973, and inserting in  
3 place thereof the following 2 sections:-

4           Section 1A. The commission shall assist town, city, and state agencies, boards and  
5 commissions by coordinating water quality monitoring, pollution and vegetation control  
6 activities, recreation management and fact-finding in Lake Quinsigamond and its watershed, and  
7 may execute and manage related activities concerning the lake and its watershed.

8           Section 1B. The commission may solicit and receive gifts of funds, grants and  
9 appropriations from the city of Worcester, and the towns of Shrewsbury and Grafton, and the  
10 commonwealth, to pay for any research, planning, application or management activities  
11 undertaken by the commission pursuant to section 1A.

12 SECTION 2. Said chapter 294, as most recently amended by section 214 of chapter 149  
13 of the acts of 2004, is hereby further amended by striking out section 2, and inserting in place  
14 thereof the following section:-

15 Section 2. The commissioners may, after notice and a public hearing held in the city of  
16 Worcester, or the town of Shrewsbury or Grafton, establish reasonable rules and regulations for:  
17 (1) the protection and policing of the waters of Lake Quinsigamond within the city of Worcester  
18 and the town of Shrewsbury and Grafton, including the part below Stringer dam, and (2)  
19 permitting and regulating the use of motor boats, other boats and canoes therein, and (3)  
20 regulating the conduct of persons upon, or bathing in, the waters of the lake; and the  
21 commissioners may, after notice and a public hearing alter, add to or repeal the rules and  
22 regulations.

23 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.