

HOUSE No. 498

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James M. Cantwell

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 an investigation to review flood insurance rates.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>
<i>Michael J. Barrett</i>	<i>Third Middlesex</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>
<i>Tackey Chan</i>	<i>2nd Norfolk</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>Viriato M. deMacedo</i>	<i>Plymouth and Barnstable</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>
<i>Lori A. Ehrlich</i>	<i>8th Essex</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Thomas A. Golden, Jr.</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>
<i>Patricia A. Haddad</i>	<i>5th Bristol</i>
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>

<i>John F. Keenan</i>	<i>Norfolk and Plymouth</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Robert M. Koczera</i>	<i>11th Bristol</i>
<i>John J. Lawn, Jr.</i>	<i>10th Middlesex</i>
<i>Barbara A. L'Italien</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Adrian Madaro</i>	<i>1st Suffolk</i>
<i>Thomas M. McGee</i>	<i>Third Essex</i>
<i>Joan Meschino</i>	<i>3rd Plymouth</i>
<i>Mathew Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>
<i>James M. Murphy</i>	<i>4th Norfolk</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>
<i>Sarah K. Peake</i>	<i>4th Barnstable</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul Tucker</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>
<i>RoseLee Vincent</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>

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By Mr. Cantwell of Marshfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 498) of James M. Cantwell and others that the Commissioner of the Division of Insurance be directed to make a bi-annual investigation relative to flood insurance rates. Financial Services.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 810 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to an investigation to review flood insurance rates.

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 102D of Chapter 175A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph at the end thereof:—

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4 The commissioner shall conduct a biennial investigation into flood insurance rates set by
5 the national flood insurance program. The investigation shall focus on the affordability of flood
6 insurance for home and business owners, the sustainability of the program, and whether the flood
7 insurance premiums accurately reflect the risk of loss. The commissioner shall make each
8 biennial report available to the public and submit the report to the clerks of the house of
9 representatives and the senate.