## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court (2019-2020)

SENATE, April 18, 2019

The committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight, to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1911) of Bruce E. Tarr and Lenny Mirra for legislation to authorize the mutual release of all claims to certain lands in the town of Newbury,reports the accompanying bill (Senate, No. 2201).

> For the committee, Marc R. Pacheco

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An Act authorizing the mutual release of all claims to certain lands in the town of Newbury.

*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. (a) Notwithstanding sections 32 to 37, inclusive, of chapter 7C of the 2 General Laws, or any other special or general laws to the contrary, the commissioner of the 3 division of capital asset management and maintenance, in consultation with the director of the 4 division of fisheries and wildlife, on behalf of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, is hereby 5 authorized to convey by a release deed to The Richard J. Boudreau and Pauline C. Boudreau 6 Irrevocable Trust, Karyn M. Alves, Trustee, under declaration of trust dated September 5, 2017 7 and recorded at the Essex South District Registry of Deeds at Book 36202, Page 289 8 (hereinafter, the "Trust"), all of the Commonwealth's interests in the lot of land with the 9 buildings thereon, situated in the Town of Newbury, Essex County, on the southwesterly side of 10 Moody Street, so called, shown as Lot A as shown on "Plan of Land Located in Newbury, 11 Massachusetts" prepared by Engineering Land Services, LLC, dated July 7, 2018 and on file 12 with the division of capital asset management and maintenance and with the division of fisheries 13 and wildlife. Said plan shall be recorded simultaneously with the recording of the conveyances 14 described herein.

15	(b) The consideration for such conveyance is the mutual release of the Trust's interests
16	by release deed in the following described lot of undeveloped land, situated in the Town of
17	Newbury, Essex County, on the southwesterly side of Moody Street, so called, shown as Lot B
18	as shown on "Plan of Land Located in Newbury, Massachusetts" prepared by Engineering Land
19	Services, LLC, dated July 7, 2018 and on file with the division of capital asset management and
20	maintenance and with the division of fisheries and wildlife. Said plan shall be recorded
21	simultaneously with the recording of the conveyances described herein.
22	The Commonwealth recognizes that said lot is not a buildable lot and agrees that it will
23	be combined with the Crane Pond Wildlife Management Area.
24	(c) As additional consideration, the Trust shall also convey to the commonwealth of
25	Massachusetts, acting by and through its division of fisheries and wildlife a perpetual restrictive
26	covenant for the area depicted on the Plan near the rock garden. Said covenant shall prohibit the
27	Trust or successor owners of Lot A from mowing or fertilizing in the restrictive covenant area to
28	protect the wetlands resources on Lot B and shall require the planting of native grasses or shrubs.
29	(d) The Trust shall assume all costs associated with engineering, surveying, deed
30	preparation, and other expenses deemed necessary by the Commissioner of the Division of
31	Capital Asset Management and Maintenance or the Commissioner of the Division of Fisheries
32	and Wildlife to execute the conveyances described in this section.
33	SECTION 2. The Commissioner shall establish the value of the properties to be
34	exchanged for both the highest and best use of the properties as currently encumbered and for the
35	purposes described in section 1. If the consideration for the parcel conveyed in section 1(a) is
36	less than fair market value, the commissioner shall place notice in the central register of the

- 37 conveyances, the amount of the transaction and the difference between the calculated value and
- 38 price received.
- 39 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its passage.