

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 4599

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 22, 2022.

The committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1017) of William M. Straus and others relative to a cranberry water use transfer program, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4599) ought to pass.

For the committee,

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act relative to a cranberry water use transfer program.

*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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Executive  
2 Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs shall provide authorization that cranberry water use  
3 registrations and permits issued pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 21G can be used for mitigation by  
4 other municipal permitted or registered users within the same watershed, provided that users  
5 obtain the appropriate registrations and permits issued pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 21G for the  
6 new water use.