

**SENATE . . . . . No. 507**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***Brendan P. Crighton***

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*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 addressing noise issues of migratory game hunters near coastal dwellings.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Brendan P. Crighton*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Third Essex*

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By Mr. Crighton, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 507) of Brendan P. Crighton for legislation to address noise issues of migratory game hunters near coastal dwellings. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 443 OF 2019-2020.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act addressing noise issues of migratory game hunters near coastal dwellings.

*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. Section 58 of chapter 131 of the General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 inserting the following words after "thereof.":-

3 "Provided further that any persons hunting migratory game birds from a watercraft or any  
4 boat or floating device propelled by sail, steam, naphtha, gasoline, electricity, compressed air or  
5 similar motive power, shall not discharge any firearm within one thousand feet of the coastal  
6 shoreline."

7 SECTION 2. Section 65 of chapter 131 of the General Law is hereby amended by  
8 inserting the following words after "blind":- ", provided further that any water craft used for said  
9 hunting purposes shall not be within one thousand feet of the coastal shoreline;"