

HOUSE No. 1355

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Lenny Mirra

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 wildlife management areas and 40B structures.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Lenny Mirra</i> | <i>2nd Essex</i> | <i>1/11/2023</i> |

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By Representative Mirra of Georgetown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1355) of Lenny Mirra for legislation to prohibit construction of certain structures within 500 feet of the border of wildlife management areas. Housing.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)**

An Act relative to wildlife management areas and 40B structures.

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 21 of chapter 40B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, after the word "consultants", in lines 20 and 21,
3 the following:- ", provided however, the board of appeals shall not issue said comprehensive
4 permit for any structures that are within 500 feet of Wildlife Management Areas, as defined by
5 Chapter 131 and Chapter 131A.”

6 SECTION 2. Section 23 of said chapter 40B, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
7 inserting after the words "local needs", in line 8, the following:- ", and structures located within
8 500 feet of an area designated by the Commonwealth, any of its agencies, or subdivisions thereof
9 as a Wildlife Management Area, as defined by Chapter 131 and Chapter 131A.”