

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 795**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***Dylan A. Fernandes***

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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 relative to recreation on private tidelands.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Dylan A. Fernandes</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>	<i>1/19/2023</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>	<i>4/12/2023</i>

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By Representative Fernandes of Falmouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 795) of Dylan A. Fernandes relative to recreation on private tidelands. Environment and Natural Resources.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 908 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act relative to recreation on private tidelands.

*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 1 of chapter 91 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the words “for the purposes of”, in line 36,  
3 the following words:- recreation and.

4           SECTION 2. Said section 1 of said chapter 91, as so appearing, is hereby further  
5 amended by inserting after the definition of “Private tidelands” the following definition:-

6           “Recreation”, the use of land for relaxation, exercise, watersports or other enjoyable  
7 pastimes.