

SENATE No. 544

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Susan L. Moran

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 funding clean water in nitrogen sensitive areas.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Susan L. Moran

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Plymouth and Barnstable

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By Ms. Moran, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 544) of Susan L. Moran for legislation to fund clean water in nitrogen sensitive areas. Environment and Natural Resources.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to funding clean water in nitrogen sensitive areas.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, \$185,000,000 shall be
2 transferred from the General Fund to the Cape Cod and Islands Water Protection fund,
3 established under section 19 of chapter 29C of the General Laws, for costs associated with
4 planning and implementing water pollution abatement projects for the purpose of complying
5 with title 5 of the state environmental code in any watershed designated as a nitrogen sensitive
6 area by the department of environmental protection; provided, that all funds allocated by this act
7 shall be distributed proportionally to municipalities according to the number of watersheds
8 designated as nitrogen sensitive areas within the borders of each municipality. Water pollution
9 abatement projects may include funding expended to support the community septic management
10 loan program to provide subsidies or loans to qualified borrowers.