

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 3958

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Christopher Richard Flanagan*

*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 expanding pathogen testing capabilities for aquaculture.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Christopher Richard Flanagan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	<i>1/15/2025</i>

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By Representative Flanagan of Dennis, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3958) of Christopher Richard Flanagan relative to expanding pathogen testing capabilities for aquaculture. Public Health.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)  
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An Act relative to expanding pathogen testing capabilities for aquaculture.

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

1 Chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 195 the  
2 following section:-

3 Section 195A. (a) The commissioner shall conduct testing of water, poultry, produce,  
4 dairy products, shellfish and other food products for the presence of campylobacter. The  
5 department shall analyze tests and samples submitted to it, and may charge for such services a  
6 fee not greater than the cost to it of such services.

7 (b) The commissioner may promulgate any regulations, pursuant to chapter 30A,  
8 necessary to implement this section.