

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4188**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*William M. Straus*

*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 Regarding the Town of Marion Open Space Acquisition Commission..

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*William M. Straus*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*10th Bristol*

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By Mr. Straus of Mattapoisett, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4188) of William M. Straus (by vote of the town) relative to the Open Space Acquisition Commission in the town of Marion. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Twelve  
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An Act Regarding the Town of Marion Open Space Acquisition Commission..

*Whereas*, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to require authorization of the Marion Town Meeting for any acquisition of interests in land by the Marion Open Space Acquisition Commission, therefore, it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

*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 187 of the Acts of 1998 is hereby amended by striking the second sentence  
2 thereof in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

3 Said commission shall have the powers of a conservation commission with  
4 respect to the acquisition of interests in land and the expenditure of funds  
5 under the provisions of section 8C of chapter 40 of the General Laws;  
6 provided, however, that any acquisition of interests in land by said  
7 commission shall require authorization by a majority vote of the Marion  
8 Town Meeting.