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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Carolyn C. Dykema

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 passage of the accompanying:

An Act relative to best management practices in water.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Carolyn C. Dykema	*8th Middlesex*
John J. Mahoney	*13th Worcester*
Kay Khan	*11th Middlesex*
Jonathan Hecht	*29th Middlesex*
Denise Provost	*27th Middlesex*
John V. Fernandes	*10th Worcester*
Kate Hogan	*3rd Middlesex*
Tom Sannicandro	*7th Middlesex*
Bruce E. Tarr	*First Essex and Middlesex*

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By Ms. Dykema of Holliston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 688) of Carolyn C. Dykema and others relative to the publishing of guidelines for best water management practices by the Board of Trustees of the Water Pollution Abatement Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to best management practices in water.

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

SECTION 1.

Section 6 of Chapter 29C of the general laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:-

(6) No later than February 1, 2014, the department and board, with input from the division of local services, shall establish and publish guidelines for best management practices in water management. Said guidelines shall include but not be limited to the practice of full cost pricing including which direct and indirect costs shall be included in full cost pricing, sound financial management, the use of a stormwater enterprise fund, and the adoption of an asset management plan. The demonstration of adoption of said best management practices shall be considered favorably in decisions about funding as provided for in this section. Projects involving multiple municipalities shall be given preference in decisions about funding as provided for in this section.

SECTION 2.

Section 18 of Chapter 29C of the general laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by adding at the end of subsection (d), the following sentence:-

The Drinking Water Revolving Fund shall be subject to subsection (6) of section 6 of Chapter 29C of the general laws.