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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Anne M. Gobi

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 the moose population in the Commonwealth.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Anne M. Gobi	*5th Worcester*
Bruce E. Tarr	☐ *[District]* ☐
Todd M. Smola	*1st Hampden*
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By Ms. Gobi of Spencer, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1996) of Tarr and others relative to the moose population Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
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, NO. *739* OF 2009-2010.]

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An Act relative to the moose population in the Commonwealth.

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

Chapter 131 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding after section 73 the following section:-

Section 73A: Notwithstanding the provisions of c. 131 sec. 73, the division of fisheries and wildlife within the department of fish and game may take measures to insure a stable moose population and address public safety concerns in the following counties; Worcester, Berkshire, Hampshire, Hamden and Franklin. A report outlining the measures taken shall be submitted to the Joint Committee on Natural Resources and Agriculture on an annual basis.

The division may promulgate such rules and regulations as it deems necessary for the implementation and administration of this section. Records of the population of moose shall be maintained by the division and reported annually to the Joint Committee on Natural Resources and Agriculture.