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HOUSE . . . . . No. 804

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Frank I. Smizik

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 preserving public trust rights in land affected by ocean erosion.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Frank I. Smizik	*15th Norfolk*

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By Mr. Smizik of Brookline, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 804) of Frank I. Smizik relative to preserving public trust rights in land affected by ocean erosion. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
HOUSE
, NO. *254* OF 2011-2012.]

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An Act preserving public trust rights in land affected by ocean erosion.

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 35 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, after the last sentence of the first paragraph, the following: -

Where sea level rise, storms, or other natural processes have caused the landward or lateral movement of a barrier beach into an area which was previously occupied by the bottom of any Great Pond or onto any other public land, the portion of the barrier beach relocated into the former bottom of the Great pond or onto other public land shall be and remain in public ownership.