

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1567

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Mr. Nason of Haverhill gives notice that he will move to substitute this bill for the report of the committee on Public Health, reference to the next General Court.

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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Nine.

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### AN ACT

Relative to the Sanitary Condition of the Merrimac River.

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

1 SECTION 1. The state board of health shall annually  
2 examine the bed, banks and waters of the Merrimac river  
3 and the streams tributary or adjacent thereto in any  
4 city or town bordering upon the said river or streams,  
5 and shall investigate and determine the causes of the  
6 increasing pollution of the waters of said river and  
7 sources of pollution.

1 SECTION 2. Whenever said board determines that in  
2 the interests of the public health a change should be made  
3 in the location of any sewer outlet or that any manufac-

4 turing waste or waste product should be eliminated from  
5 the stream, the said board may make such orders relative  
6 thereto as it shall deem necessary for the protection of  
7 the public health.

1 SECTION 3. The supreme judicial court or any justice  
2 thereof or the superior court or any justice thereof shall  
3 have jurisdiction at law or in equity to enforce the pro-  
4 visions of this act or of any order made by the state  
5 board of health in conformity therewith. Proceedings  
6 to enforce any such order shall be instituted by the  
7 attorney-general upon the request of the state board of  
8 health.

1 SECTION 4. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent here-  
2 with are hereby repealed.

1 SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage.