

HOUSE No. 444

By Mrs. Brigham of Springfield, petition of Douglas Crook for legislation to regulate the noise from motor boats and other craft on lakes and ponds within the Commonwealth. Public Safety.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-One.

An Act to regulate the Noise from Motor Boats and Other Boats on the Lakes, Ponds and Great Ponds of 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:

1 SECTION 1. Whoever operates or causes to be
2 operated on or upon any lake, pond or great pond, a
3 boat propelled in whole or in part by an internal
4 combustion engine unless the same is provided with
5 an underwater exhaust or a muffler so constructed
6 and used that the noise of the explosion of the engine
7 shall not cause annoyance to persons owning real
8 estate in the vicinity of or residing in the vicinity of
9 such bodies of water, shall be punished by a fine of not
10 more than twenty-five dollars.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its
2 passage.

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