

# HOUSE . . . . No. 1087

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By Mr. Swain of Nantucket, petition of the Nantucket Fishermen's Association relative to killing of waterfowl and other migratory birds when they become so numerous as to cause damage to marine fisheries. Conservation.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

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An Act relative to the Control of Certain Wild Birds.

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

1 Chapter one hundred and thirty-one of the General  
2 Laws is hereby amended by adding after section  
3 seventy-eight a new section which shall read as  
4 follows: —

5 *Section 78A.* Whenever, in the opinion of the  
6 director, any species of waterfowl or other migratory  
7 bird becomes so numerous as to cause damage to  
8 the marine fisheries, resources of the commonwealth  
9 or otherwise becomes a detriment to the welfare of  
10 the public, he may authorize any person in writing  
11 to take or kill such birds under reasonable rules and  
12 regulations which he may prescribe.

