

SENATE No. 1017

By Mr. McCarthy (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1017) of Janet Palomis for legislation to establish public hearings relative to hunting on lands owned or leased by the commonwealth. State Administration.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Six.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING PUBLIC HEARINGS RELATIVE TO HUNTING ON LANDS OWNED OR LEASED BY 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 59 of Chapter 131 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new
3 paragraph: —

4 Except for lands owned by the Division of Fisheries and
5 Wildlife, before any land owned or leased by the commonwealth
6 is permitted to be used for the purposes of hunting the authori-
7 ty or persons in control of such land or the agency of the com-
8 monwealth having control over such land shall conduct a public
9 hearing and designate the land or lands within its jurisdiction
10 on which hunting may be permitted. Such designation shall be
11 done annually after the required public hearing is conducted.

