

SENATE . . . . . No. 1003

By Mr. John P. Burke, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1003) of John P. Burke, Robert J. Rohan and Stephen L. Thornton for legislation to establish an opening day fishing season for trout. Natural Resources and Agriculture.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Seven.

AN ACT CREATING OPENING DAY FISHING SEASON FOR TROUT.

*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 5 of Chapter 131 is hereby amended by adding at the end
- 2 thereof the following: —
- 3 Notwithstanding the foregoing, the season for trout fishing shall
- 4 open on the third Saturday in April and shall close on the last day
- 5 of February. The Division of Fisheries and Wildlife shall stock
- 6 trout before opening day providing that conditions are such that
- 7 the trout have a reasonable expectancy to survive the water
- 8 conditions.

