

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 4013

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By Mr. Moore of Uxbridge, petition of the Massachusetts Association of Realtors and Richard T. Moore relative to the conservation of water and the assumption of water costs by tenants. Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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## **The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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

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AN ACT TO PROMOTE CONSERVATION BY ALLOWING TENANTS TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE COST OF WATER.

*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 127A of chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby
- 2 amended by adding the following paragraph thereto: —
- 3 Nothing contained in the code or any other regulation issued
- 4 by an agency, department, board, commission or authority of the
- 5 commonwealth or any political subdivision shall be deemed to
- 6 prohibit a tenant or other occupant of residential premises from
- 7 being obligated to pay, through use of a metering device or
- 8 otherwise, the cost of water furnished to such premises, nor shall
- 9 any such obligation be deemed to violate standards of fitness for
- 10 human habitation from time to time applied by any court.

