

HOUSE No. 5546

By Mr. Cahoon of Chatham (by request), petition of Ruth Emerson for legislation to prohibit bow and arrow hunting on Martha's Vineyard. Natural Resources and Agriculture.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE HUNTING OF DEER WITH BOW AND ARROW ON MARTHA'S VINEYARD.

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. The hunting of deer with bow and arrow on
2 Martha's Vineyard is prohibited.

1 SECTION 2. Any person may bring an action in the Superior
2 court against any person who violates section one. If the court
3 finds that section one has been violated, it shall award damages of
4 five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per deer hunted to the plaintiff, such
5 equitable relief, including an injunction, as the Court deems
6 proper, reasonable attorney's fees, and costs.

1 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

