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By Ms. Gobi of Spencer (by request), petition of Michael Leonard for legislation to further regulate forest cutting practices. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

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AN ACT TO FURTHER REGULATE CUTTING PRACTICES.

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

1 Notwithstanding any special or general law to the contrary the  
2 Director of the Division of Forests and Parks Department of Con-  
3 servation and Recreation with authority granted under Massachu-  
4 setts General Law, Chapter 132, Sections 47-50, is hereby directed  
5 to promulgate new regulations that would reject any Forest Cut-  
6 ting Plan filed by a Licensed Forester that calls for (i) a short-term  
7 harvest; and (ii) requires that only Licensed Foresters be able to  
8 file Forest Cutting Plans that call for long-term forest manage-  
9 ment.

