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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Stephen Kulik**

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*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General
 Court assembled:*

 The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to certain environmental boating regulations and penalties.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Stephen Kulik | 1st Franklin |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3831 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to certain environmental boating regulations and penalties.

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

SECTION 1. Section eleven of chapter ninety B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1996 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting the following paragraph:—
(p) Adopt rules and regulations governing commercial whitewater rafting on the rivers and streams of the commonwealth.

SECTION 2. Section fourteen of chapter ninety B of the General Laws, is hereby amended by inserting the following paragraph:—
(d) Unless otherwise specifically provided in this section, whoever violates any rule or regulation of the director promulgated under authority of section eleven shall be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or both.

SECTION 3. Section ten H of chapter twenty-one A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out lines 14-17 and inserting in place thereof the following new paragraph:—
A person notified to appear before the clerk of a district court as provided in section ten G for violation of subsections (b), (c) and (e) of section eight, section nine A or eleven of chapter ninety B, or the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to section eleven, may so appear within the time specified and pay a fine of one hundred dollars.