HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Ronald Mariano

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 to reestablish the former DEQE/DEP Water Meter Modernization Grant Program.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Ronald Mariano	3rd Norfolk
Joyce A. Spiliotis	12th Essex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 3330 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT TO REESTABLISH THE FORMER DEQE/DEP WATER METER MODERNIZATION GRANT PROGRAM.

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. Notwithstanding any general or specific law or regulation to the contrary, the Department of Environmental Protection is directed to re-establish and administer a Water Meter Modernization Program. The Commonwealth shall allocate up to \$25 million annually to municipalities of the Commonwealth for the purchase and/or installation of water meters. Criteria for the program will be established by the DEP no later than 90 days upon enactment of this legislation.