



City of Cambridge

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IN CITY COUNCIL

March 15, 1993

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WHEREAS: To solve these health and atmospheric problems, Clean Water Action Alliance of Massachusetts has introduced legislation designed to regulate and enforce the sale, use, disposal and recycling of batteries; now therefore be it

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Adopted by the affirmative vote of nine members.

Attest:- D. Margaret Drury, City Clerk.

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