

**CAPE COD REGIONAL GOVERNMENT**

**ASSEMBLY of DELEGATES**

**2023 Session**

**Proposed Ordinance No. 17**

1 **WHEREAS**, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts’ revised Title 5 regulations, set to go in effect  
2 July 7, 2023, will require tens of thousands of Cape Codders to undertake costly upgrades to  
3 their existing onsite wastewater infrastructure;

4 **WHEREAS**, an investment of Barnstable County funds in the county’s wastewater loan  
5 program will secure its ability to provide low-to-zero interest loans for these costly upgrades;

6 **WHEREAS**, the increase in revenue generated by this investment can be utilized to help Cape  
7 Codders most in need—with initiatives such as grants or loan-forgiveness.

8 **THEREFORE**, the Cape Cod regional government, known as Barnstable county, hereby  
9 ordains;

10 **SECTION 1.**

11 The sum of \$5,000,000 is hereby transferred from the Unreserved Fund Balance to the  
12 Community Septic Management Loan Program (CSMLP), known as the Aquifund.

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