## **Attention Anglers & Fishing Tackle Retailers**

## 2012 IS THE TIME TO GET THE LEAD OUT!

As of January 1, 2012, it *is illegal* to use lead sinkers and lead jigs weighing less than 1 ounce in Massachusetts' *freshwater* lakes, ponds, rivers and streams.



Ingestion of lead sinkers or jigs has killed loons in New England What **You** Can Do:

**Anglers:** Use non-lead sinkers and jigs. It is the law!

**Sporting goods stores:** Stock non-lead fishing tackle alternatives.

**Spread the word about the new law.** Tell other anglers and retailers about the problem with lead and loons.

For More Information: www.mass.gov/masswildlife