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### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

#### Dylan A. Fernandes

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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act empowering towns and cities to protect residents and the environment from harmful pesticides.

#### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Dylan A. Fernandes	Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket
Brian W. Murray	10th Worcester
Jack Patrick Lewis	7th Middlesex
Mary S. Keefe	15th Worcester
James Arciero	2nd Middlesex
Brian M. Ashe	2nd Hampden
Bruce J. Ayers	1st Norfolk
Ruth B. Balser	12th Middlesex
Christine P. Barber	34th Middlesex
John Barrett, III	1st Berkshire
Jennifer E. Benson	37th Middlesex
Natalie M. Blais	1st Franklin
Paul Brodeur	32nd Middlesex
Peter Capano	11th Essex
Michelle L. Ciccolo	15th Middlesex
Mike Connolly	26th Middlesex
Edward F. Coppinger	10th Suffolk

William L. Crocker, Jr.	2nd Barnstable
Julian Cyr	Cape and Islands
Marjorie C. Decker	25th Middlesex
Viriato M. deMacedo	Plymouth and Barnstable
Mindy Domb	3rd Hampshire
Lori A. Ehrlich	8th Essex
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester
Nika C. Elugardo	15th Suffolk
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex
Denise C. Garlick	13th Norfolk
Carmine Lawrence Gentile	13th Middlesex
Kenneth I. Gordon	21st Middlesex
Tami L. Gouveia	14th Middlesex
James K. Hawkins	2nd Bristol
Jonathan Hecht	29th Middlesex
Natalie M. Higgins	4th Worcester
Russell E. Holmes	6th Suffolk
Randy Hunt	5th Barnstable
Patricia D. Jehlen	Second Middlesex
Patrick Joseph Kearney	4th Plymouth
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex
David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf	17th Worcester
Jason M. Lewis	Fifth Middlesex
David Paul Linsky	5th Middlesex
Joan B. Lovely	Second Essex
Adrian C. Madaro	1st Suffolk
Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.	28th Middlesex
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk
Liz Miranda	5th Suffolk
Tram T. Nguyen	18th Essex
Patrick M. O'Connor	Plymouth and Norfolk
Sarah K. Peake	4th Barnstable
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex
Rebecca L. Rausch	Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex
David Allen Robertson	19th Middlesex
David M. Rogers	24th Middlesex
Lindsay N. Sabadosa	1st Hampshire
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex
John C. Velis	4th Hampden

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### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court (2019-2020)

An Act empowering towns and cities to protect residents and the environment from harmful pesticides.

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

The second paragraph of section 1 of chapter 132B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the second sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- This chapter shall regulate the labeling, distribution, sale, storage, transportation, use and application, and disposal of pesticides in the commonwealth; provided, however, that this chapter shall establish the minimum standards and restrictions relative to the use and application and disposal of pesticides, and cities and towns may, by a majority vote of the legislative body and approval from the municipality's board of health, adopt ordinances and by-laws that regulate, restrict or prohibit the use and application or disposal of pesticides within the city or town that are more stringent than the standards and restrictions established by this chapter; provided further, that for purposes of this section, "use and application" and "disposal" of pesticides shall not include the transportation of pesticides.