

**SENATE . . . . . No. 579**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Bruce E. Tarr***

*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 relative to setting NDMA levels.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Pavel M. Payano</i>	<i>First Essex</i>	<i>9/7/2023</i>
<i>Barry R. Finegold</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>	<i>10/10/2023</i>

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 579) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation to set NDMA levels. Environment and Natural Resources.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act relative to setting NDMA levels.

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

1           Notwithstanding any other general or special law to the contrary Section 7 of Chapter  
2 21A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by  
3 inserting at the end there of the following: -

4           Section 7: (a) For purposes of this section following actions shall be taken by the  
5 Department of Environmental Protection:

6           The Department of Environmental Protection shall review the Guidelines on chemicals  
7 found in drinking water tested in the Commonwealth for the purposes of classifying  
8 Massachusetts maximum containment levels for certain harmful compounds. The Department of  
9 Environmental protection shall, with respect to n-Nitrosodimethylamine, promulgate  
10 Massachusetts maximum containment levels, that shall be considered the maximum safe amount  
11 of n-Nitrosodimethylamine present in drinking water so that it does not negatively affect human  
12 health.

13           The Department of Environmental Protection shall, upon receiving reports of levels of n-  
14 Nitrosodimethylamine outside the Massachusetts maximum containment levels, provide a copy  
15 of those reports to the Clerks of the House and the Senate. The Department of Environmental  
16 Protection shall then treat any such level found above the Massachusetts maximum containment  
17 level as if it were a violation of the Department of Environmental Protection Drinking Water  
18 regulation 310 CMR 22.00. Pursuant to 310 CMR 22.01(2) the Department of Environmental  
19 Protection shall exercise its authority as it sees fit to enforce the standard of the Massachusetts  
20 maximum containment levels promulgated in this section with respect to n-  
21 Nitrosodimethylamine.

22           The Department of Environmental Protection shall provide a report annually to the clerks  
23 of the House and the Senate that details the total number of examinations done of drinking water  
24 in the Commonwealth, as well as how many of those were found to contain n-  
25 Nitrosodimethylamine levels above the Massachusetts maximum containment level.