

SENATE No. 425

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

O'Leary, Robert (SEN)

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act to establish a paint thinner take back program.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

O'Leary, Robert (SEN)

Cleon H. Turner

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Cape and Islands

1st Barnstable

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S00530 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PAINT THINNER TAKE BACK PROGRAM.

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

1 Chapter 21C of the general laws, as appearing in the 2006 official edition is hereby amended by inserting,
2 after section 6, the following new section:-

3 Section 6A. Every retail outlet selling paint thinner shall, no later than June 30, 2010, install on the
4 premises and maintain paint thinner retention facilities, properly sheltered and protected to prevent
5 spillage, seepage or discharge of the paint thinner into storm or sanitary sewers or into the waters of the
6 commonwealth. Every such outlet shall be required to accept, at no additional charge, paint thinner in
7 quantities not exceeding five gallons per day from any individual with sales receipts or other proof of
8 purchase from such outlet. Every such outlet shall periodically remove or have removed the accumulated
9 paint thinner so as not to violate any water pollution control or other statute or regulation.