

**SENATE . . . . . No. 425**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Nine**  
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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  
2 amended by inserting, after section 6, the following new section:-

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