

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Peter V. Kocot

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 to prohibit the additional incineration of solid waste.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Peter V. Kocot	1st Hampshire	1/20/2011
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex	2/4/2011
Ellen Story	3rd Hampshire	2/4/2011
Martha M. Walz	8th Suffolk	2/2/2011

By Mr. Kocot of Northampton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2010) of Peter V. Kocot and others for legislation to prohibit additional incineration of solid waste materials. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 725 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act to prohibit the additional incineration of solid waste.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 150A of Chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006

2 Official Edition, is hereby further amended by adding the following paragraphs:—

- No site in any city or town shall be assigned as a site or the expansion of an existing site
 for a facility for the combustion, incineration, thermal conversion, or gasification of municipal
 solid waste or construction and demolition debris, or a resource recovery facility, which is rated
 by the department at more than one ton of refuse per hour.
 The department shall not grant a permit for a facility or the expansion of an existing
- facility for the combustion, incineration, thermal conversion, or gasification of municipal solid
 waste or construction and demolition debris, or a resource recovery facility, which is rated by the
 department at more than one ton of refuse per hour.

SECTION 2. Chapter 16 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition,
is hereby amended by striking the second paragraph of section 21 and inserting in its place
thereof the following:—

14 The comprehensive statewide master plan referred to herein shall describe, to the 15 maximum practicable extent, a short and long-range plan for reduction of the per capita 16 generation of solid waste throughout the commonwealth, the solid waste programs and facilities 17 which the department determines to be necessary or convenient to promote the reduction of 18 waste generation and to increase recycling of solid waste in a manner which protects the public 19 health, safety and environment and is financially sound, and the funding for the development of 20 such facilities and programs which the department finds to be reasonable necessary to 21 accomplish said purposes.

22 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.