

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Louis L. Kafka

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 ensure adequate care of animals in cities and towns.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Louis L. Kafka	8th Norfolk	
William C. Galvin	6th Norfolk	
Paul McMurtry	11th Norfolk	
Kathi-Anne Reinstein	16th Suffolk	
Carlo Basile	1st Suffolk	
James E. Timilty	Bristol and Norfolk	
Carolyn C. Dykema	8th Middlesex	
Jason M. Lewis	Fifth Middlesex	
Tom Sannicandro	7th Middlesex	
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	12th Hampden	
Peter V. Kocot	1st Hampshire	
Mark J. Cusack	5th Norfolk	
Lori A. Ehrlich	8th Essex	
Ruth B. Balser	12th Middlesex	
Sheila C. Harrington	1st Middlesex	
Colleen M. Garry	36th Middlesex	
Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera	10th Hampden	
Martin J. Walsh	13th Suffolk	

Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.	34th Middlesex	
Denise Andrews	2nd Franklin	1/31/2013
Christine E. Canavan	10th Plymouth	1/29/2013
Michael D. Brady	9th Plymouth	1/29/2013
William Smitty Pignatelli	4th Berkshire	
Mark C. Montigny	Second Bristol and Plymouth	
Kevin G. Honan	17th Suffolk	
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex	
Walter F. Timilty	7th Norfolk	
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex	
Jonathan Hecht	29th Middlesex	
John J. Binienda	17th Worcester	
James M. Murphy	4th Norfolk	
William N. Brownsberger	Second Suffolk and Middlesex	
Gale D. Candaras	First Hampden and Hampshire	
Timothy R. Madden	Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket	
Josh S. Cutler	6th Plymouth	
Thomas J. Calter	12th Plymouth	
John P. Fresolo	16th Worcester	
Brian R. Mannal	2nd Barnstable	
Eugene L. O'Flaherty	2nd Suffolk	2/1/2013
James T. Welch	Hampden	
Gailanne M. Cariddi	1st Berkshire	
John J. Lawn, Jr.	10th Middlesex	
Paul Brodeur	32nd Middlesex	
Paul R. Heroux	2nd Bristol	
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex	
Bruce J. Ayers	1st Norfolk	
John W. Scibak	2nd Hampshire	
Patricia D. Jehlen	Second Middlesex	
Byron Rushing	9th Suffolk	
Brian M. Ashe	2nd Hampden	
Jeffrey N. Roy	10th Norfolk	
Patricia A. Haddad	5th Bristol	
David M. Rogers	24th Middlesex	
Thomas P. Conroy	13th Middlesex	

By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1852) of Louis L. Kafka and others relative to the care of animals in cities and towns. Municipalities and Regional Government.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 2326 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act to ensure adequate care of animals in cities and towns.

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

SECTION 1. Section 151 of chapter 140 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006
Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding in line 22 after the word town, the following
sentence:

4 In addition to any assistance the dog officer provides, the dog officer shall maintain a list 5 of additional resources available to residents who are unable to care for an animal.

6 SECTION 2. Section 77 of chapter 272 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby 7 amended by adding, after the word "kind," in line 18, the following words:- or fails to provide 8 the animal with veterinary care that results in unnecessary suffering,