

HOUSE No. 3342

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James M. Cantwell

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 regulating boarding kennels and daycare facilities for dogs.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>	
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>	
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Denise Andrews</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>	
<i>James M. Murphy</i>	<i>4th Norfolk</i>	
<i>Gale D. Candaras</i>	<i>First Hampden and Hampshire</i>	
<i>John P. Fresolo</i>	<i>16th Worcester</i>	
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>	
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	
<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>	
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Byron Rushing</i>	<i>9th Suffolk</i>	
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>	

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By Mr. Cantwell of Marshfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3342) of James M. Cantwell and others for legislation to authorize the Department of Agricultural Resources to promulgate rules and regulations governing boarding kennels and daycare facilities for dogs. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen
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An act regulating boarding kennels and daycare facilities for dogs.

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 140 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following new
2 section:

3 174F. The Department shall promulgate rules and regulations for boarding kennels and
4 daycare facilities for dogs, including home-based kennels and daycare facilities, including, but
5 not limited to staff qualifications and development, provider/dog ratios and interaction, group
6 sizes and supervision, minimum housing and care requirements, indoor and outdoor physical
7 facility requirements, utilities, dog handling, body language interpretation, breed familiarity,
8 emergency response training, insurance, and penalties for violation thereof.