

SENATE No. 957

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mark C. Montigny

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 relative to tethering of dogs.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Mark C. Montigny

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Second Bristol and Plymouth

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By Mr. Montigny, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 957) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation relative to tethering of dogs. Municipalities and Regional Government.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to tethering of 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 SECTION 1. Section 174E of chapter 140 of the General Laws, as appearing in section
2 48 of chapter 193 of the acts of 2012, is hereby amended by striking out, in section (a), the words
3 “24 consecutive hours,” and inserting in place thereof the following words: - “5 hours in a 24
4 hour period.”

5 SECTION 2. Said section 174E of chapter 140 of the General Laws, is hereby amended
6 by striking out, in section (d), the words “24 consecutive hours,” and inserting in place thereof
7 the following words: - “5 hours in a 24 hour period.”

8 SECTION 3. Said section 174E of chapter 140 of the General Laws, is hereby amended
9 by striking out, in section (g), the words “for a second offense, be punished by a fine of not more
10 than \$100 and for a third or subsequent offense, be punished by a fine of not more than \$300,”
11 and inserting in place thereof the following words: - “for a second offense, be punished by a fine
12 of not more than \$200 and for a third or subsequent offense, be punished by a fine of not more
13 than \$500.”