

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1848****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:
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/13/2015</i>
<i>William C. Galvin</i>	<i>6th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/29/2015</i>
<i>James E. Timilty</i>	<i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>	<i>1/29/2015</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/26/2015</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>7th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/28/2015</i>
<i>Kevin G. Honan</i>	<i>17th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/29/2015</i>
<i>RoseLee Vincent</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2015</i>
<i>Harold P. Naughton, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Aaron Michlewitz</i>	<i>3rd Suffolk</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Jeffrey N. Roy</i>	<i>10th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/4/2015</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Bristol</i>	<i>1/29/2015</i>
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>	<i>2/4/2015</i>
<i>Timothy R. Madden</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Mark J. Cusack</i>	<i>5th Norfolk</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/28/2015</i>
<i>John J. Lawn, Jr.</i>	<i>10th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/22/2015</i>

<i>William Smitty Pignatelli</i>	<i>4th Berkshire</i>	<i>1/28/2015</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>	<i>1/22/2015</i>
<i>Tom Sannicandro</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2015</i>
<i>Gailanne M. Cariddi</i>	<i>1st Berkshire</i>	<i>2/1/2015</i>
<i>Anne M. Gobi</i>	<i>Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2015</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Lori A. Ehrlich</i>	<i>8th Essex</i>	<i>1/22/2015</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balser</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/26/2015</i>
<i>Peter V. Kocot</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>1/21/2015</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Linda Dorcena Forry</i>	<i>First Suffolk</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>	<i>2/2/2015</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2015</i>
<i>James M. Murphy</i>	<i>4th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/4/2015</i>
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/2/2015</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>	<i>1/23/2015</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/22/2015</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/28/2015</i>
<i>Stephen L. DiNatale</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Paul Tucker</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Alan Silvia</i>	<i>7th Bristol</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Jay D. Livingstone</i>	<i>8th Suffolk</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>James T. Welch</i>	<i>Hampden</i>	<i>2/2/2015</i>
<i>Byron Rushing</i>	<i>9th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/30/2015</i>
<i>Carole A. Fiola</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/2/2015</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Frank A. Moran</i>	<i>17th Essex</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>

<i>Daniel Cullinane</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/4/2015</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/4/2015</i>
<i>William N. Brownsberger</i>	<i>Second Suffolk and Middlesex</i>	<i>1/28/2015</i>
<i>Diana DiZoglio</i>	<i>14th Essex</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Theodore C. Speliotis</i>	<i>13th Essex</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	<i>2/1/2015</i>
<i>Marc R. Pacheco</i>	<i>First Plymouth and Bristol</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>	<i>10/2/2019</i>

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1848

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By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1848) of Louis L. Kafka and others relative to the care of animals in cities and towns. Municipalities and Regional Government.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1852 OF 2013-2014.]

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

\_\_\_\_\_  
In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)  
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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:*

1           SECTION 1. Section 151 of chapter 140 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006  
2   Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding in line 22 after the word town, the following  
3   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,