

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michelle M. DuBois

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 protecting public drinking water.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Michelle M. DuBois	10th Plymouth	1/16/2015
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester	4/15/2015
Brian M. Ashe	2nd Hampden	12/27/2019
Christine P. Barber	34th Middlesex	12/27/2019
Michael D. Brady	Second Plymouth and Bristol	12/27/2019
Carmine L. Gentile	13th Middlesex	4/8/2015
Carlos Gonzalez	10th Hampden	4/15/2015
Jonathan Hecht	29th Middlesex	12/27/2019
Paul R. Heroux	2nd Bristol	4/14/2015
Daniel J. Hunt	13th Suffolk	4/13/2015
James R. Miceli	19th Middlesex	4/15/2015
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex	12/27/2019
Paul A. Schmid, III	8th Bristol	4/13/2015
Frank I. Smizik	15th Norfolk	4/15/2015
Chris Walsh	6th Middlesex	4/15/2015
Patricia D. Jehlen	Second Middlesex	4/15/2015

By Ms. DuBois of Brockton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3410) of Michelle M. DuBois and others for legislation to further regulate the building or expansion of solid waste disposal facilities. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court (2015-2016)

An Act protecting public drinking water.

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 150A of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012
Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the second paragraph the following
paragraph:-

4 No site shall be assigned as a place for a new facility or for the expansion of an existing facility if the site is located within a zone of 400 feet of: (1) a public water supply well or well 5 6 field; (2) that area of an aquifer which: (i) contributes water to a to a well under recharge and 7 pumping conditions that allow safe yield of the well for 180 days without any natural recharge 8 occurring, and (ii) is bounded by the groundwater divides which result from pumping the well 9 and by contact of the edge of the aquifer with less permeable materials; or (3) that area of an 10 aquifer which contributes water to a spring under naturally flowing conditions. Such zone may 11 include streams or lakes that act as recharge boundaries. Such zone shall be considered to extend 12 up-gradient to its point of intersection with prevailing hydrogeologic boundaries.

- 13 SECTION 2. The department of environmental protection may promulgate rules and
- 14 regulations necessary to carry out the requirements of this act.