

SENATE No. 1092

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. 1092) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation relative to tethering of dogs. Municipalities and Regional Government.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 957 OF 2013-2014.]

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

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.”.