

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2112**

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**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:      |
|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| <i>Michelle M. DuBois</i> | <i>10th Plymouth</i>   | <i>1/20/2017</i> |
| <i>Jason M. Lewis</i>     | <i>Fifth Middlesex</i> | <i>1/20/2017</i> |
| <i>James R. Miceli</i>    | <i>19th Middlesex</i>  | <i>1/20/2017</i> |
| <i>Paul R. Heroux</i>     | <i>2nd Bristol</i>     | <i>1/30/2017</i> |
| <i>Jonathan Hecht</i>     | <i>29th Middlesex</i>  | <i>1/20/2017</i> |
| <i>Chris Walsh</i>        | <i>6th Middlesex</i>   | <i>1/20/2017</i> |

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By Ms. DuBois of Brockton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2112) 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.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3410 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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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:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 150A of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the second paragraph the following  
3 paragraph:-

4 No site shall be assigned as a place for a new facility or for the expansion of an existing  
5 facility if the site is located within a zone of 400 feet of: (1) a public water supply well or well  
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.