

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3179**

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Hannah Kane***

*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 safe limits on home growing of marijuana.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>	<i>1/20/2017</i>
<i>Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/23/2017</i>
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/24/2017</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>1/23/2017</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>	<i>1/26/2017</i>
<i>James J. Lyons, Jr.</i>	<i>18th Essex</i>	<i>1/25/2017</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>	<i>1/25/2017</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Mathew Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>1/23/2017</i>
<i>David M. Nangle</i>	<i>17th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2017</i>
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>John C. Velis</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>

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By Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3179) of Hannah Kane and others relative to home growing of marijuana. Marijuana Policy.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to safe limits on home growing of marijuana.

*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 7 of chapter 94G of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking subsection (2) and inserting in place thereof the  
3 following subsection:-

4           (2) within the person’s primary residence, possessing up to 2 ounces of marijuana and  
5 any marijuana produced by marijuana plants cultivated on the premises and possessing,  
6 cultivating or processing not more than 6 marijuana plants per residence, no more than 3 of  
7 which may be mature, flowering plants.

8           (i) A municipal government may enact and enforce reasonable by-laws or ordinances to  
9 regulate the home cultivation of marijuana to ensure such home cultivation does not exceed legal  
10 limits and does not negatively impact public health or safety.

11           (ii) In conjunction with the department of agricultural resources, the department of  
12 environmental protection, the department of public health, and the executive office of public

13 safety and security, the commission shall publish guidelines on the safe cultivation of marijuana  
14 on personal property.

15 (iii) a person found to have, within their primary residence, 7-19 marijuana plants shall be  
16 subject to a civil fine of not more than \$500 and the plants will be confiscated from the premises.

17 (iv) a person found to have, within their primary residence, 20 or more marijuana plants  
18 shall be subject to the penalties under section 32C of chapter 94C.