

SENATE No. 441

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Anne M. Gobi

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 further regulating siting of solid waste facilities.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | |
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| <i>Anne M. Gobi</i> | <i>Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex</i> | |
| <i>Jason M. Lewis</i> | <i>Fifth Middlesex</i> | <i>2/1/2017</i> |
| <i>Mike Connolly</i> | <i>26th Middlesex</i> | <i>2/3/2017</i> |
| <i>James B. Eldridge</i> | <i>Middlesex and Worcester</i> | <i>2/3/2017</i> |
| <i>Todd M. Smola</i> | <i>1st Hampden</i> | <i>2/3/2017</i> |
| <i>Denise Provost</i> | <i>27th Middlesex</i> | <i>2/3/2017</i> |
| <i>Chris Walsh</i> | <i>6th Middlesex</i> | <i>2/3/2017</i> |

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By Ms. Gobi, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 441) of Anne M. Gobi, Jason M. Lewis, Mike Connolly, James B. Eldridge and other members of the General Court for legislation to further regulate siting of solid waste facilities. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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

An Act further regulating siting of solid waste facilities.

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 150A1/2 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the
2 2014 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following subsections at the end of the
3 section:—

4 “(18) the potential adverse impacts on municipalities containing Environmental Justice
5 Population, (defined as a neighborhood whose annual median household income is equal to or
6 less than 65 percent of the statewide median or whose population is made up 25 percent minority
7 or lacking English language proficiency), within one mile of the proposed site including the
8 potential adverse impacts on the considerations stated within this section for which site
9 suitability standards and criteria are established.

10 (19) the potential for the site to be impacted by anticipated sea level rise or coastal storm
11 surge associated with climate change.

- 12 (20) the proximity to and potential impacts of the site on designated Areas of Critical
13 Environmental Concern.”