

HOUSE No. 895

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Patricia A. Duffy, (BY REQUEST)

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 ending water fluoridation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kirstin Beatty</i>	<i>149 Central Park Drive, Holyoke, MA 01040</i>	<i>2/19/2021</i>

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By Ms. Duffy of Holyoke (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 895) of Kirstin Beatty relative to ending water fluoridation. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act ending water fluoridation.

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. The legislature finds and confirms all of the following:-

2 Whereas, fluoride’s purported benefits are topical, and therefore no reason exists for
3 water fluoridation and ingestion.

4 Whereas, in an ongoing trial in the 9th Circuit, Judge Chen has indicated the
5 Environmental Protection Agency has lost in disputing that water fluoridation poses a
6 substantive risk under the Toxic Substances Control Act (Food & Water Action, Inc. et al. vs.
7 Environmental Protection Agency).

8 Whereas, the Environmental Protection Agency has claimed to Judge Chen that the Toxic
9 Substances Control Act requires an impossible burden of proof to allow ending water
10 fluoridation.

11 Whereas, a 2019 National Institutes of Health funded study in Canada found that babies
12 fed formula mixed with fluoridated water averaged 4 IQ points less than those mixed with non-
13 fluoridated water – losses of non-verbal IQ averaged 9 IQ points, reinforcing earlier studies (Till
14 et al, 2019).

15 Whereas, a Canadian study found a nearly 300% higher risk of ADHD for children living
16 in fluoridated areas, reinforcing earlier studies (Riddell et al, 2019).

17 Whereas, fluoride is the only chemical added to water for the purpose of medical
18 treatment, despite a lack of full public consent, lack of dose control, and lack of consideration for
19 vulnerable individuals such as those with impaired kidney function.

20 SECTION 2. Section 8C of chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
21 striking out section 8C as appearing in the 2021 Official Edition and inserting in place thereof
22 the following section:-

23 Section 8C. The department and commissioner shall recommend against the use of
24 fluoridated water by infants and pregnant women, and recommend instead for improved dental
25 care a focus on less sugar and greater nutrition. Each local board of health shall be promptly
26 informed.

27 Across the commonwealth, fluoridation of municipal water supplies shall be promptly
28 prohibited.