

HOUSE No. 949

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 protecting dogs at boarding kennels and daycare facilities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2021</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>	<i>2/3/2021</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	<i>2/22/2021</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>2/24/2021</i>
<i>Alyson M. Sullivan</i>	<i>7th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/24/2021</i>
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/25/2021</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>

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By Mrs. Kane of Shrewsbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 949) of Hannah Kane and others for legislation to regulate boarding kennels and daycare facilities for dogs. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 812 OF 2019-2020.]

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

An Act protecting dogs at boarding kennels and daycare 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 Chapter 140 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after Section 174F, the
2 following section:-

3 174G. The department shall promulgate rules and regulations for boarding kennels and
4 daycare facilities for dogs, including home-based kennels and daycare facilities, including, but
5 not limited to, staff to dog ratios group sizes and supervision, minimum housing and care
6 requirements, indoor and outdoor physical facility requirements, dog handling, insurance, and
7 penalties for violation thereof.