## **SENATE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 534**

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Ryan C. Fattman

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 to reform the toxic use reduction act.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:Ryan C. FattmanWorcester and Norfolk

## **SENATE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 534**

By Mr. Fattman, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 534) of Ryan C. Fattman for legislation to reform the toxic use reduction act. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act to reform the toxic use reduction act.

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 11(A)(1) of chapter 21I of the General Laws, as appearing in the

2 2018 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place

thereof the following sentence:- "On a schedule to be established by the department, but no more

4 frequently than once every six years or when a new toxic substance is first used at a facility, and

5 in either case on an even-numbered year, each large quantity toxics users shall prepare and

complete a toxics use reduction plan for each facility for which they are required to file a report

7 in that year."

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8 SECTION 2. Section 11(D) of said chapter 21I, as so appearing, is hereby amended by

striking out the words "by July 1, two years after the first plan, and then according to the

schedule specified by the department" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- "by

July 1, two years after the first plan, and then every six years".

SECTION 3. Section 11(F) of said chapter 21I, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- "Large quantity toxics users shall file a plan summary with the department on or before July 1 of the year in a which toxics use reduction plan is due."

- SECTION 4. Section 12(C) of said chapter 21I, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence:- "Certification shall be for not more than six years and shall be renewable for additional six year periods."
- SECTION 5. Said section 12(C) of said chapter 21I, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following sentences:- "The continuing education requirement for initial recertification and renewal shall not exceed 45 hours per certification period for individuals certified pursuant to subsection 12(A). The continuing education requirement for initial recertification and renewal shall not exceed 36 hours per certification period for individuals certified pursuant to subsection 12(B). The continuing education requirement for subsequent recertification and renewal shall not exceed 36 hours per certification period for individuals certified pursuant to subsection 12(A). The continuing education requirement for subsequent recertification and renewal shall not exceed 36 hours per certification period for individuals certified pursuant to subsection 12(B)."
- SECTION 6. Section 19 of said chapter 21I, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting the following subsection:-
- (I) The requirements to pay any fees under this section shall not be applicable to any use of a toxic substance that is mandated by law, regulation, drug or other product registration,

design specification of a United States governmental authority including, but not limited to, the United States Armed Services, Department of Homeland Security or other similar United States governmental authority, or any other legally enforceable requirement.

A toxics user shall determine the applicability of the exemption by providing an affidavit identifying, to the extent permitted under applicable national security and confidentiality requirements, the governmental body whose law, regulation, registration or specification requires the use of the toxic substance.