

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1478**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Mark C. Montigny***

*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 preserve the eternal bonds between people and their animals.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Mark C. Montigny*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Second Bristol and Plymouth*

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By Mr. Montigny, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1478) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation to allow humans and their pets remains to be buried together. Public Health.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1300 OF 2019-2020.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act to preserve the eternal bonds between people and their animals.

*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. Chapter 114 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

3           Section 52. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, a town, city,  
4 cemetery corporation or other entity legally responsible for the maintenance or operation of a  
5 cemetery or burial place may allow co-interment of both human and animal remains including  
6 cremated remains. Such entity may issue their own policies on fees, interments, and other  
7 requirements.