

**SENATE . . . . . No. 498**

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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 relative to hunting near a dwelling.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Anne M. Gobi*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Worcester and Hampshire*

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By Ms. Gobi, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 498) of Anne M. Gobi for legislation relative to hunting near a dwelling. Environment and Natural Resources.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 552 OF 2021-2022.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act relative to hunting near a dwelling.

*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 58 of chapter 131 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended by inserting, in line 6, after the word "thereof" the following words:-

3 ", provided that a person may hunt with a bow and arrow from an elevated tree stand not  
4 less than 250 feet from any dwelling in use except as authorized by the owner or occupant  
5 thereof".