

HOUSE No. 4917

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kenneth I. Gordon

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 a town-wide ban on the use of second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides (SGARs).

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>	<i>1/6/2026</i>

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By Representative Gordon of Bedford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4917) of Kenneth I. Gordon (by vote of the town) relative to banning the use of second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides in the town of Bedford. Environment and Natural Resources. [Local Approval Received.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)

An Act relative to a town-wide ban on the use of second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides (SGARs).

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Notwithstanding Chapter 132B of the General Laws or any other general or special law to
2 the contrary, the Town of Bedford may by ordinance prohibit or restrict the application of
3 second-generation anticoagulant rodenticides within the Town of Bedford, including the
4 application of such pesticides by licensed commercial applicators as defined in 333 C.M.R.
5 10.00, except as allowed by the Board of Health to remediate a public health condition.