

HOUSE No. 960

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Carlos González

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 requiring the sealing of containers transporting solid waste.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Carlos González</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>	<i>1/16/2025</i>
<i>Lisa Field</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>	<i>9/29/2025</i>

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By Representative González of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 960) of Carlos González relative to requiring the sealing of containers transporting solid waste. Environment and Natural Resources.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 820 OF 2023-2024.]

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

An Act relative to requiring the sealing of containers transporting solid waste.

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 21A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby
2 amended by adding the following section:-

3 Section 29. A municipality, agency, individual, firm, corporation or an entity acting on
4 behalf of an individual, firm or corporation shall not transport solid waste originating in the
5 commonwealth on a vehicle, train, barge, ship, or scow unless the solid waste is covered by a
6 hard top or biodegradable seal that hardens after application.

7 The department of environmental protection, in consultation with the department of
8 transportation, shall promulgate regulations for the implementation, administration and
9 enforcement of this section.