

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1442**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Lydia Edwards*

*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 authorizing local control of waste collection hours of operation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Lydia Edwards*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Third Suffolk*

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By Ms. Edwards, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1442) of Lydia Edwards for legislation to authorize local control of waste collection hours of operation. Municipalities and Regional Government.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1292 OF 2023-2024.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act authorizing local control of waste collection hours of operation.

*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 31A of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022  
2   Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 4, the word “town;” and inserting in  
3   place thereof the following words:- town. Said board of health may restrict the hours in which  
4   business, residential, or commercial garbage, offal or other offensive substances may be  
5   collected in areas zoned for residential or commercial use;

6           SECTION. 2 Section 31A of chapter 111 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
7   amended by striking out, in line 6, the words “business, commercial or”.