

SENATE No. 1630

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 opting out of fluoridation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Bruce E. Tarr

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Essex and Middlesex

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1630) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation to provide municipalities to opt out of fluoridation treatments. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to opting out of fluoridation.

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

1 Mass General Laws Chapter 111, Section 8C is hereby amended by inserting at the end
2 the following:-- "Any town, city or district with artificial fluoridation programs in effect can end
3 those programs with a local ordinance banning fluoridation via the local legislative body, i.e.
4 City Council, Town Meeting or Water Commissioners. That process is initiated by the
5 presentation of a petition of at least ten registered voters to the legislative body. Moreover, if the
6 water superintendent or water commissioners with responsibility for ensuring water safety
7 determines that in their opinion, the water fluoridation program is posing a risk to consumers,
8 workers, infrastructure or environment, they can suspend fluoridation programs at will."