

HOUSE No. 675

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

William C. Galvin

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 the siting of facilities dealing with refuse.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

William C. Galvin

6th Norfolk

Brian A. Joyce

Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth

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By Mr. Galvin of Canton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 675) of William C. Galvin and Brian A. Joyce relative to the siting of facilities dealing with refuse. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act relative to the siting of facilities dealing with refuse.

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. Notwithstanding any section of the General Laws or any other general or
2 special law to the contrary, the Department of Environmental Protection shall not permit, license,
3 site or otherwise allow for the operation of any recycle/reclamation/disposal or trash transfer
4 facility within a ten mile radius of an existing licensed/sited/operating facility.

5 SECTION 2. In consideration of the issuance of any permit, license, sitting or operational
6 permissions the Department of Environmental Protection shall review the regional needs for such
7 facility along with the related impacts upon the host community and all abutting communities
8 within ten miles of the host community boundaries.

9 SECTION 3. All facilities which currently require no licensing or permitting by the
10 Department of Environmental Protection as referred to in Section 1 of this law shall also be
11 considered within the ten mile requirement.