HOUSE No. 682

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Carmine L. Gentile

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 application of pesticides in municipalities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Carmine L. Gentile	13th Middlesex
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex
Chris Walsh	6th Middlesex
Michelle M. DuBois	10th Plymouth

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By Mr. Gentile of Sudbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 682) of Carmine L. Gentile and others relative to application of pesticides in municipalities. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

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

An Act relative to application of pesticides in municipalities.

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

- SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 132B of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the second paragraph the following words:
- 3 "Nothing herein, nor any regulation issued by the Massachusetts Department of Agricultural
- 4 Resources, shall preclude any city or town from requiring, prior to any application of pesticide
- 5 within that city or town, a hearing to determine whether a proposed application of pesticides in
- 6 particular locations will be consistent with the product's labeling, other restrictions imposed by
- 7 the Pesticide Board or its subcommittees, and whether the applicant is proposing to use particular
- 8 pesticides only as permitted by law."