

HOUSE No. 824

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jay D. Livingstone

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 prohibiting the use of residential automatic pesticide misting systems.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Jay D. Livingstone

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

8th Suffolk

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By Mr. Livingstone of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 824) of Jay D. Livingstone relative to prohibiting the use of residential automatic pesticide misting systems. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act prohibiting the use of residential automatic pesticide misting systems.

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. Chapter 132B of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
2 section 16 the following section:-

3 Section 17. (a) As used in this chapter, the following words shall have the following
4 meanings unless the context clearly requires otherwise:

5 "residential automatic pesticide misting system," any device that is designed to be
6 installed on, near or around the exterior of any residential dwelling or the grounds of such
7 residential dwelling and to automatically spray any pesticide solution at timed intervals.

8 (b) No person shall install or utilize any residential automatic pesticide misting
9 system in this state.

10 (c) The Commissioner of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection may
11 adopt regulations to implement the provisions of subsection (a) of this section. Such regulations

12 may include, but shall not be limited to, the establishment of a fine for the violation of
13 subsection (a) of this section.