

HOUSE No. 1848

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Louis L. Kafka

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 to ensure adequate care of animals in cities and towns.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>
<i>William C. Galvin</i>	<i>6th Norfolk</i>
<i>James E. Timilty</i>	<i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>7th Norfolk</i>
<i>Kevin G. Honan</i>	<i>17th Suffolk</i>
<i>RoseLee Vincent</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>
<i>Harold P. Naughton, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Worcester</i>
<i>Aaron Michlewitz</i>	<i>3rd Suffolk</i>
<i>Jeffrey N. Roy</i>	<i>10th Norfolk</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>9th Plymouth</i>
<i>Bruce J. Ayers</i>	<i>1st Norfolk</i>
<i>Timothy R. Madden</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>
<i>Mark J. Cusack</i>	<i>5th Norfolk</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>
<i>John J. Lawn, Jr.</i>	<i>10th Middlesex</i>

<i>William Smitty Pignatelli</i>	<i>4th Berkshire</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>Tom Sannicandro</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Gailanne M. Cariddi</i>	<i>1st Berkshire</i>
<i>Anne M. Gobi</i>	<i>Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>
<i>Lori A. Ehrlich</i>	<i>8th Essex</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>
<i>Peter V. Kocot</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>
<i>Linda Dorcena Forry</i>	<i>First Suffolk</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>John W. Scibak</i>	<i>2nd Hampshire</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>
<i>James M. Murphy</i>	<i>4th Norfolk</i>
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>
<i>Stephen L. DiNatale</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>Paul Tucker</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>
<i>Alan Silvia</i>	<i>7th Bristol</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>
<i>Jay D. Livingstone</i>	<i>8th Suffolk</i>
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>James T. Welch</i>	<i>Hampden</i>
<i>Byron Rushing</i>	<i>9th Suffolk</i>
<i>Carole A. Fiola</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>
<i>Jonathan Hecht</i>	<i>29th Middlesex</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>
<i>Frank A. Moran</i>	<i>17th Essex</i>

<i>Daniel Cullinane</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>William N. Brownsberger</i>	<i>Second Suffolk and Middlesex</i>
<i>Diana DiZoglio</i>	<i>14th Essex</i>
<i>Theodore C. Speliotis</i>	<i>13th Essex</i>
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Marc R. Pacheco</i>	<i>First Plymouth and Bristol</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>

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By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1848) of Louis L. Kafka and others relative to the care of animals in cities and towns. Municipalities and Regional Government.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1852 OF 2013-2014.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act to ensure adequate care of animals in cities and towns.

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 151 of chapter 140 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding in line 22 after the word town, the following
3 sentence:

4 In addition to any assistance the dog officer provides, the dog officer shall maintain a list
5 of additional resources available to residents who are unable to care for an animal.

6 SECTION 2. Section 77 of chapter 272 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
7 amended by adding, after the word "kind," in line 18, the following words:- or fails to provide
8 the animal with veterinary care that results in unnecessary suffering,