

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 835**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Hannah Kane***

*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 protecting dogs at boarding kennels and daycare facilities.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>	<i>1/11/2023</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>1/26/2023</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2023</i>
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/6/2023</i>
<i>Alyson M. Sullivan-Almeida</i>	<i>7th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/9/2023</i>
<i>Alan Silvia</i>	<i>7th Bristol</i>	<i>2/10/2023</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>First Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>2/13/2023</i>
<i>Brian W. Murray</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>	<i>2/16/2023</i>
<i>James K. Hawkins</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	<i>2/23/2023</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>3/7/2023</i>

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By Representative Kane of Shrewsbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 835) of Hannah Kane and others for legislation to regulate boarding kennels and daycare facilities for dogs. Environment and Natural Resources.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 949 OF 2021-2022.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act protecting dogs at boarding kennels and daycare facilities.

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

1 Chapter 140 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after Section 174F, the  
2 following section:-

3 174G. The department shall promulgate rules and regulations for boarding kennels and  
4 daycare facilities for dogs, including home-based kennels and daycare facilities, including, but  
5 not limited to, staff to dog ratios group sizes and supervision, minimum housing and care  
6 requirements, indoor and outdoor physical facility requirements, dog handling, insurance, and  
7 penalties for violation thereof.