

SENATE No. 1478

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mark C. Montigny

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 preserve the eternal bonds between people and their animals.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Mark C. Montigny

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Second Bristol and Plymouth

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By Mr. Montigny, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1478) of Mark C. Montigny for legislation to allow humans and their pets remains to be buried together. Public Health.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1300 OF 2019-2020.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act to preserve the eternal bonds between people and their animals.

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 114 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

3 Section 52. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, a town, city,
4 cemetery corporation or other entity legally responsible for the maintenance or operation of a
5 cemetery or burial place may allow co-interment of both human and animal remains including
6 cremated remains. Such entity may issue their own policies on fees, interments, and other
7 requirements.