

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

**Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera**

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*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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to recycling.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera	10th Hampden

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine  
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## AN ACT RELATIVE TO RECYCLING.

*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 8H of chapter 40 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is  
2 hereby amended as follows:

3 By deleting in line 1 the words “, by the approval of the local legislative body”;

4 And, by deleting in lines 1, 7 and 11 the word “may” and inserting in place the following word “shall”.

5 And, in line 17 after the word “curbside.” adding the following words “all municipalities shall have 5  
6 years to comply with the directive of said section and bring their recycling capacity up to at least 50  
7 percent of the state average.”

8 And further, deleting the third paragraph and inserting in place the following words:

9 The state shall allocate 5 percent of all monies presently paid to cities or towns into their recycling fund  
10 to a new municipal fund established by this section to be used exclusively for funding extracurricular  
11 activities in schools in municipalities that have met the above recycling requirement. The treasurer shall  
12 be the custodian. He may deposit or invest the proceeds of said fund in savings banks, trust companies  
13 incorporated under the laws of the commonwealth, banking companies incorporated under the laws of  
14 the commonwealth which are members of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or national  
15 banks, or invest it in paid up shares and accounts of and in co-operative banks or in shares of savings  
16 and loan associations or in shares of federal savings and loan associations doing business in the  
17 commonwealth, and any income there from shall be credited to the fund.