

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

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**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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act regulating the organic content in newly constructed and renovated lawns.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Louis L. Kafka

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

8th Norfolk

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3778 OF 2007-2008.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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**AN ACT REGULATING THE ORGANIC CONTENT IN NEWLY CONSTRUCTED AND  
RENOVATED LAWNS.**

*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.

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3           Section 21 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2000 Official Edition, is hereby  
4           amended by inserting the following clause after clause (17): -

5                   (17A) For prohibiting an organic content of less than 6% in the top 6 inches of soil for all newly  
6           constructed and renovated lawns by using Compost with a base of sand. A soil test shall be conducted  
7           both before and after construction or renovation so as to ensure the organic content of the soil meets  
8           the aforementioned requirement.

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