

HOUSE No. 2819

By Mr. Swartz of Haverhill, petition of David J. Swartz relative to requiring local approval prior to the construction of certain solid waste recovery resource facilities. Natural Resources and Agriculture.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Seven.

AN ACT REQUIRING A FAVORABLE VOTE OF A COMMUNITY BEFORE CONSTRUCTION CAN TAKE PLACE IN SAID COMMUNITY OF A SOLID WASTE RECOVERY RESOURCE FACILITY THAT IS LARGER THAN NECESSARY TO TAKE CARE OF THE NEEDS OF SAID COMMUNITY.

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. Prior to the construction of a solid waste
2 resource recovery facility in a community when said facility is
3 larger than is necessary to take care of the needs of said
4 community alone, a referendum shall be held in said community.

1 SECTION 2. Unless the majority of the voters casting ballots
2 on such a referendum indicate they are in favor of the location of
3 such a facility in their community, no such facility shall be
4 constructed.

