HOUSE No. 10

So much of the recommendations of the Office of the Inspector General (House, No. 8) as relates to fraud. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to fraud.

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 266 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition is
- 2 hereby amended by inserting after section 67C the following section:
- 3 Section 67D. Whoever:
- 4 (1) defrauds or attempts to defraud the commonwealth, any of its political subdivisions, or any
- 5 authority established by the general court to serve a public purpose, of any money, property or
- 6 anything of substantial value, including the wrongful withholding of said money, property or
- 7 anything of substantial value from any of these entities; or
- 8 (2) obtains or attempts to obtain money, property or anything of substantial value, by means of
- 9 false or fraudulent pretenses, representations, or promises;
- shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or by imprisonment in the state prison for
- 11 not more than 5 years, or in the house of correction for not more than 2 1/2 years, or both.
- 12 SECTION 2. Section 68 of said chapter 266, as so appearing, is hereby amended, in line 1, by
- 13 striking out the word "three" and inserting in place thereof the following: 4