

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1259**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Demetrius J. Atsalis**

*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 the penalty for interfering with certain medical personnel in the line of duty.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Demetrius J. Atsalis

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Second Barnstable

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1299 OF 2007-2008.]

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PENALTY FOR INTERFERING WITH CERTAIN MEDICAL  
PERSONNEL IN THE LINE OF DUTY.

*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 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out section 13I, as appearing  
2 in the 2004 Official Edition and inserting in place thereof the following section: -

3           Section 13I. Whoever commits an assault and batter on an emergency medical technician, an ambulance  
4 operator, registered nurse, registered nurse psychologist, physical therapist, occupational therapist, ambulance  
5 attendant, nurse's aide, diagnostic technician including phlebotomists and EKG technician and security officer,  
6 while said technician, operator, registered nurse, registered nurse psychologist, physical therapist, occupational  
7 therapist, attendant, nurse's aide, diagnostic technicians, including phlebotomists and EKG technicians, radiology  
8 technicians and security officers is treating or transporting, in the line of duty, shall be punished by imprisonment in  
9 the house of correction for not less than 90 days nor more than 2 1/2 years or by a fine of not less than \$500 nor  
10 more than \$5,000, or both.