

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 01280**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*William N. Brownsberger, (BY REQUEST)*

*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 regarding change of venue under Chapter 209A.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Dwight Doane*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*9 Agassiz Ave.*

*Belmont, MA 02478*

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 01280

By Mr. William N. Brownsberger of Belmont (by request), petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 01280) of [petitioners] relative to changes of venue in abuse prevention cases. Joint Committee on the Judiciary.

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act regarding change of venue under Chapter 209A.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

- 1 Chapter 209A of the General Laws is amended in Section 2, Venue, by adding the following new
- 2 paragraph:
- 3 A defendant in an action under this section who has a case in family and probate court shall have
- 4 the right to a change of venue to the district court of the marital residence for a jury trial.