

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1302**

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Carolyn C. Dykema*

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 providing protection from subsequent restraining order violations.

PETITION OF:

| NAME:                       | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:                  |
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| <i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>    | <i>8th Middlesex</i>               |
| <i>Gerard T. Leone</i>      | <i>Middlesex District Attorney</i> |
| <i>Katherine M. Clark</i>   | <i>Fifth Middlesex</i>             |
| <i>David Paul Linsky</i>    | <i>5th Middlesex</i>               |
| <i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>    | <i>9th Middlesex</i>               |
| <i>Cory Atkins</i>          | <i>14th Middlesex</i>              |
| <i>Danielle W. Gregoire</i> | <i>4th Middlesex</i>               |
| <i>Kay Khan</i>             | <i>11th Middlesex</i>              |
| <i>John J. Lawn, Jr.</i>    | <i>10th Middlesex</i>              |
| <i>John W. Scibak</i>       | <i>2nd Hampshire</i>               |
| <i>Denise Andrews</i>       | <i>2nd Franklin</i>                |
| <i>Denise Provost</i>       | <i>27th Middlesex</i>              |
| <i>Thomas P. Conroy</i>     | <i>13th Middlesex</i>              |
| <i>Daniel B. Winslow</i>    | <i>9th Norfolk</i>                 |

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By Ms. Dykema of Holliston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1302) of Carolyn C. Dykema and others relative to the penalty for subsequent restraining order violations. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION

SEE

□ HOUSE  
□ , NO. 2159 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act providing protection from subsequent restraining order violations.

*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. Section 7 of chapter 209A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at line 45, after the first sentence in the fifth  
3 paragraph, the following:-

4 Whoever violates such order or a protection order issued by another jurisdiction after  
5 having previously been convicted of violating an order issued pursuant to chapter 209A or a  
6 protection order issued by another jurisdiction, or after having previously been convicted  
7 pursuant to section 13A(b)(iii) or section 43(b) of chapter 265, shall be punished by  
8 imprisonment in the state prison for not more than five years or imprisonment in the house of  
9 correction for not more than two and one-half years.