HOUSE No. 1353

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James H. Fagan

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 assault and battery upon school teachers.

PETITION OF:

NAME: James H. Fagan DISTRICT/ADDRESS: 3rd Bristol

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1395 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PENALTY FOR ASSAULT AND BATTERY UPON SCHOOL TEACHERS.

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 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, after 2 3 section 13K, the following section: --- Section 13L. Whoever commits an assault and battery on a school teacher, teacher's aide, faculty member, school administrator or school staff member of a public or private elementary, 4 vocational, secondary school, junior college, college or a university while said school teacher, teacher's aide, faculty 5 6 member, school administrator or school staff member is on or within the real property comprising a public or private elementary, vocational, secondary school, junior college, college or university whether or not in session shall be 7 punished by imprisonment for not less than ninety days nor more than two and one-half years in a house of 8 correction or by a fine of not less than five hundred nor more than five thousand dollars, and a violator may be 9 arrested without a warrant by any officer having police powers in the jurisdiction of the act.