

HOUSE No. 01389

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Donald Wong

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 rape of a child by force.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Donald Wong</i>	<i>9th Essex</i>
<i>Paul Adams</i>	<i>17th Essex</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Carlo Basile</i>	<i>1st Suffolk</i>
<i>Richard Bastien</i>	<i>2nd Worcester</i>
<i>Matthew Beaton</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>
<i>Linda Dean Campbell</i>	<i>15th Essex</i>
<i>Nick Collins</i>	<i>4th Suffolk</i>
<i>Edward Coppinger</i>	<i>10th Suffolk</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>
<i>Robert L. Hedlund</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Kevin Kuros</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>
<i>Steven L. Levy</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>
<i>Marc Lombardo</i>	<i>22nd Middlesex</i>
<i>Shaunna O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>

<i>George N. Peterson, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>
<i>Elizabeth Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>George Ross</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Joyce A. Spiliotis</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>
<i>David M. Torrisi</i>	<i>14th Essex</i>
<i>Daniel K. Webster</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>

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By Mr. Donald Wong of Saugus, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 01389) of Daniel K. Webster and others relative to the penalty imposed by the courts in the Commonwealth for the rape of a child under fourteen years of age.. Joint Committee on the Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to rape of a child by force.

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 as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is
2 hereby amended by inserting after section 22C the following new section:

3 Section 22D. Whoever has sexual intercourse or unnatural sexual intercourse with a child under
4 14, and compels such child to submit by force and against his will or compels such child to
5 submit by threat of bodily injury shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for life or
6 for any term of years but no less than 30 years. The sentence imposed on such person shall not be
7 reduced to less than 30 years, or suspended, nor shall any person convicted under this section be
8 eligible for probation, parole, work release or furlough or receive any deduction from his
9 sentence for good conduct until he shall have served 30 years of such sentence. Prosecutions
10 commenced under this section shall neither be continued without a finding, sealed, nor placed on
11 file.

12 Whoever commits any offense described in this section while armed with a firearm, rifle,
13 shotgun, machine gun or assault weapon shall be sentenced to the state prison for life or for any
14 term of years, but not less than 45 years. Whoever over the age of 18 commits a second or
15 subsequent such offense shall be sentenced to the state prison for life. The sentence imposed on
16 such person shall not be reduced, or suspended, nor shall any person convicted under this section
17 be eligible for probation, parole, work release or furlough or receive any deduction from his
18 sentence for good. Prosecutions commenced under this section shall neither be continued
19 without a finding, sealed nor placed on file.