

HOUSE No. 1436

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 juvenile restitution.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Viriato Manuel deMacedo	1st Plymouth
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex
George N. Peterson, Jr.	9th Worcester
Elizabeth Poirier	14th Bristol
Paul K. Frost	7th Worcester
Susan Williams Gifford	2nd Plymouth
Bradford R. Hill	4th Essex
Richard J. Ross	9th Norfolk
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden
Robert S. Hargraves	1st Middlesex
Daniel K. Webster	6th Plymouth

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1503 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO JUVENILE RESTITUTION.

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 119 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by chapter 176 of the
2 acts of 2008, is hereby amended by inserting after section 62 the following new section:-
3 Section 62A. The court shall make all reasonable efforts to ensure that restitution is made to the
4 victim of a juvenile offender. The court shall order that the juvenile be required to repair,
5 replace or otherwise make restitution for damage or loss caused by his wrongful act and may
6 impose fines in limited amounts. Restitution shall be made a condition of release, placement, or
7 parole by the juvenile court. In cases where the court determines it is appropriate, the court may
8 order the juvenile to make restitution directly to the court in the form of financial payments,
9 which shall then be turned over to the victim of the offense. The court may issue such orders as
10 are necessary for the collection of restitution, including garnishments, wage withholdings and
11 executions.