

HOUSE No. 1438

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Robert M. Koczera

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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to the Sex Offender Registry.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Robert M. Koczera</i>	<i>11th Bristol</i>
<i>Antonio F. D. Cabral</i>	<i>13th Bristol</i>

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By Mr. Koczera of New Bedford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1438) of Robert M. Koczera and Antonio F. D. Cabral that the Sex Offender Registry Board classify convicted sex offenders and make rulings on appeals prior to release from sentences. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1450 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**
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An Act relative to the Sex Offender Registry.

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 178 of chapter 6 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition is
2 hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:

3 The Sex Offender Registry Board shall classify a convicted sex offender and make a
4 ruling on said offender’s appeal prior to release from sentence within sufficient time to give said
5 offender an appeal of said classification. The Sex Offender Registry Board must alert all sex
6 offenders of their classification and appellate rights within sufficient time to give said sex
7 offender an appeal of said classification prior to release from sentence.