. No. 1447 **HOUSE**

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 the protection of public safety officers.

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
Jeffrey Davis Perry	5th Barnstable
Richard J. Ross	9th Norfolk
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden
Robert S. Hargraves	1st Middlesex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1507 OF 2007-2008.]

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE PROTECTION OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- SECTION 1. Chapter 268 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is
- 2 hereby amended by inserting after section 15A the following new section:-
- 3 Section 15B. Any prisoner or inmate of any penal or correctional facility in the commonwealth,
- 4 whether being held in custody for a court appearance, or committed to any penal or correctional
- 5 facility in the commonwealth under a lawful order of a court, who is found in possession of a
- 6 handcuff key shall be punished by imprisonment in a jail or house of correction for a term of one
- 7 year.