

HOUSE No. 1533

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Maria Duaine Robinson and Liz Miranda

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 to amend Section 3, Chapter 258e of the General Laws relative to Filing of complaint; impounding of case record information; filing fee; expiration of order; modification of order; time for filing; nonexclusivity of remedy for Harrassment Prevention Orders.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Maria Duaine Robinson</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>Liz Miranda</i>	<i>5th Suffolk</i>
<i>Nika C. Elugardo</i>	<i>15th Suffolk</i>
<i>Stephan Hay</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>
<i>Russell E. Holmes</i>	<i>6th Suffolk</i>
<i>Rebecca L. Rausch</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>
<i>Bud L. Williams</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>

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By Representatives Robinson of Framingham and Miranda of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1533) of Maria Duaine Robinson and others relative to harassment prevention orders. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3904 OF 2017-2018.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

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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. Section 3 of Chapter 258e of the General Laws, is hereby amended by
2 inserting the following language at the end of the section:

3 (h) Upon a successful motion to vacate the harassment prevention order made by a
4 plaintiff in the case, the defendant’s record shall be expunged and no evidence of the harassment
5 prevention order shall remain on the defendant’s record.