

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James J. O'Day, (BY REQUEST)

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 leaving the scene of motor vehicle crashes .

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
James J. O'Day	14th Worcester
Christi Berry	

By Mr. O'Day of West Boylston (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1533) of James J. O'Day and Christi Berry relative to increasing the penalties for leaving the scene of a motor vehicle accident. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE O HOUSE , NO. 2250 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to leaving the scene of motor vehicle crashes .

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. Section 24(2)(a¹/₂)(1) of chapter 90 of the General Laws, is hereby amended
by striking the clause "shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than six months nor more
than two years" and inserting in place thereof the following: -- shall be punished by
imprisonment in the house of correction for not more than two and one-half years or
imprisonment in the state prison for not less than two and one-half years nor more than five
years.

7 SECTION 2. Section $24(2)(a\frac{1}{2})(2)$ of chapter 90 of the General Laws, is hereby amended 8 by striking the clause "be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not less than two and 9 one-half years nor more than ten years" and inserting in place thereof the following: -- be 10 punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not less than two and one-half years nor more 11 than fifteen years.

12 SECTION 3. Section 63 of chapter 277 of the General Laws, is hereby amended by 13 adding following paragraph after the last full paragraph: -- An indictment or complaint for an 14 offense set forth under section $24(2)(a\frac{1}{2})(2)$ of chapter 90 may be brought at any time after the 15 commission of such offense.