HOUSE No. 1560

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

George N. Peterson, 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 civil liability for protecting one's home.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
George N. Peterson, Jr.	9th Worcester
Nicholas A. Boldyga	3rd Hampden
Viriato Manuel deMacedo	1st Plymouth
Stephen L. DiNatale	3rd Worcester
Ryan C. Fattman	18th Worcester
Kimberly N. Ferguson	1st Worcester
Paul K. Frost	7th Worcester
Susan Williams Gifford	2nd Plymouth
Sheila C. Harrington	1st Middlesex
Randy Hunt	5th Barnstable
Kevin J. Kuros	8th Worcester
Marc T. Lombardo	22nd Middlesex
James R. Miceli	19th Middlesex
Shaunna O'Connell	3rd Bristol
Keiko M. Orrall	12th Bristol
Elizabeth A. Poirier	14th Bristol
Cleon H. Turner	1st Barnstable
David T. Vieira	3rd Barnstable

Donald H. Wong	9th Essex
Bradford Hill	4th Essex
Michael J. Rodrigues	First Bristol and Plymouth

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By Mr. Peterson of Grafton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1560) of George N. Peterson, Jr. and others relative to the indemnification of certain persons from civil proceedings for injuries or deaths of persons unlawfully entering their dwelling. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE

□ HOUSE
□ , NO. *2218* OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to civil liability for protecting one's home.

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 8A of chapter 278 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting the following paragraph:-
- 3 If a person using this defense is found not guilty by a court of competent jurisdiction, said
- 4 person shall not be liable in civil proceedings for the injury or death of the person unlawfully in
- 5 said dwelling.