

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1826**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***James J. O'Day and Kay Khan***

*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 promote public safety and better outcomes for young adults.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>	<i>2/5/2021</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/22/2021</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Christine P. Barber</i>	<i>34th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/22/2021</i>
<i>Marcos A. Devers</i>	<i>16th Essex</i>	<i>2/16/2021</i>
<i>Patricia A. Duffy</i>	<i>5th Hampden</i>	<i>2/23/2021</i>
<i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i>	<i>3rd Berkshire</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Dylan A. Fernandes</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>	<i>2/24/2021</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Tami L. Gouveia</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/22/2021</i>
<i>Vanna Howard</i>	<i>17th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/8/2021</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>David Henry Argosky LeBoeuf</i>	<i>17th Worcester</i>	<i>2/9/2021</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/9/2021</i>
<i>Adrian C. Madaro</i>	<i>1st Suffolk</i>	<i>2/24/2021</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/25/2021</i>
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/23/2021</i>
<i>Tram T. Nguyen</i>	<i>18th Essex</i>	<i>2/10/2021</i>

<i>Orlando Ramos</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>	<i>2/20/2021</i>
<i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>2/9/2021</i>
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/19/2021</i>
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/9/2021</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Carlos González</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Erika Uytterhoeven</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>	<i>3/7/2021</i>
<i>Maria Duaine Robinson</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>	<i>3/11/2021</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>	<i>4/6/2021</i>

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1826**

By Representatives O'Day of West Boylston and Khan of Newton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1826) of James J. O'Day, Kay Khan and others relative to the age of criminal majority. The Judiciary.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**

An Act to promote public safety and better outcomes for young adults.

*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 7 of chapter 4 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the sixtieth clause and inserting in place  
3 thereof the following clause:- Sixtieth, “Age of criminal majority” shall mean the age of “19.”

4 SECTION 2. The Sixtieth clause of section 7 of chapter 4 of the General Laws, as so  
5 appearing, is further amended by striking out the number “19,” inserting in place thereof the  
6 following number:- 20

7 SECTION 3. The Sixtieth clause of section 7 of chapter 4 of the General Laws, as so  
8 appearing, is further amended by striking out the number “20,” and inserting in place thereof the  
9 following number:- 21

10 SECTION 4. Section 167 of chapter 6 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
11 amended by striking out, in the definition of “Criminal offender record information”, as amended

12 by sections 3 and 4 of chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018, the number “18” and inserting in place  
13 thereof the following word:- criminal majority

14 SECTION 5. Section 20 of chapter 31 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
15 amended by striking out, in line 10, the words “18 years” and inserting in place thereof the  
16 following words:- criminal majority

17 SECTION 6. Section 24 of chapter 37 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
18 amended by striking out, in line 14, the number “18” and inserting in place thereof the following  
19 words:- criminal majority

20 SECTION 7. Section 98F of chapter 41 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
21 amended by striking out in the second paragraph, as amended by sections 25 and 26 of chapter  
22 69 of the Acts of 2018, the words “18 years of age” and inserting in place thereof the following  
23 words:-the age of criminal majority

24 SECTION 8. Section 32H of chapter 94C, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking  
25 out in the second paragraph, as amended by sections 1 and 2 of chapter 72 of the Acts of 2018,  
26 the words “18 years of age or older” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- who has  
27 attained the age of criminal majority

28 SECTION 9. Section 32H of chapter 94C of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
29 amended by striking out, in the second paragraph, as amended by sections 1 and 2 of chapter 72  
30 of the Acts of 2018, the number “18” and inserting in place thereof the words:- the age of  
31 criminal majority

32 SECTION 10. Section 32M of chapter 94C of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
33 hereby amended by striking out, in line 1, the word “eighteen” and inserting in place thereof the  
34 following words:- criminal majority

35 SECTION 11. Section 32M of chapter 94C of the General Law, as so appearing, is  
36 hereby amended by striking out, in line 6, the number “18” and inserting in place thereof the  
37 following words:- “criminal majority”

38 SECTION 12. Section 36 of chapter 94C of the General Law, as so appearing, is hereby  
39 amended by striking out in lines 6 and 7, inclusive, the words “his eighteenth birthday” and  
40 inserting in place thereof the following words:- the age of criminal majority

41 SECTION 13. Section 52 of chapter 119, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking  
42 out, in the definition of “Delinquent child” as amended by section 72 of chapter 69 of the Acts of  
43 2018, the number “18” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- “the age of criminal  
44 majority”

45 SECTION 14. Section 52 of said chapter 119, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
46 striking out, in the definition of “Youthful offender,” as amended by section 72 of chapter 69 of  
47 the Acts of 2018, the number “18” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- the age of  
48 criminal majority

49 SECTION 15. Section 54 of chapter 119, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking  
50 out, in the first paragraph, as amended by section 73 of chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018, the words  
51 “18 years of age” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- the age of criminal  
52 majority

53 SECTION 16. Section 54 of said chapter 119, as so appearing, is hereby amended by  
54 striking out, in the second paragraph, as amended by section 73 of chapter 69 of the Acts of  
55 2018, the number “18” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- the age of criminal  
56 majority”

57 SECTION 17. Section 58 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
58 amended by striking out, in lines 8 to 12, inclusive, the words “that any such probation may be  
59 imposed until such child reaches age eighteen or age nineteen in the case of a child whose case is  
60 disposed of after he has attained his eighteenth birthday or age 20 in the case of a child whose  
61 case is disposed of after he attains his nineteenth birthday”, and inserting in place thereof the  
62 following words:- that any such probation may, in the case of an offense that occurred prior to  
63 the child’s eighteenth birthday, be imposed until such child reaches age 18 or 19 in the case of a  
64 child whose case is disposed of after the child has attained the child’s eighteenth birthday or age  
65 20 in the case of a child whose case is disposed of after the child attains the child’s nineteenth  
66 birthday. In the case of an offense that occurred on or after the child’s eighteenth birthday, such  
67 probation may be imposed until such child reaches age 19 or age 20 in the case of a child whose  
68 case is disposed of after the child has attained the child’s nineteenth birthday, or age 21 in the  
69 case of a child whose case is disposed of after the child attains the child’s twentieth birthday

70 SECTION 18. Section 58 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
71 amended by inserting, in line 12, after the words “after he attains his twentieth birthday” the  
72 following words:- or age 22 in the case of a child whose case is disposed of after the child  
73 attains the child’s twenty-first birthday

74 SECTION 19. Section 58 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
75 further amended by inserting, in line 12, after the words “his twenty first birthday” the following  
76 words:- or age 23 in the case of a child whose case is disposed of after the child attains the  
77 child’s twenty-second birthday

78 SECTION 20. Section 58 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
79 amended by inserting, after the words “attains the age of eighteen” in lines 26 to 27, inclusive,  
80 the following words:- in a case where the offense occurred prior to the child’s eighteenth  
81 birthday

82 SECTION 21. Section 58 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
83 amended by inserting, in lines 29 to 30, inclusive, after the words “nineteenth birthday’ the  
84 following words:- In a case where the offense occurred on or after the child’s eighteenth  
85 birthday, the probationary or commitment period shall not be for a period longer than until such  
86 child attains the age of nineteen, or twenty in the case of a child whose case is disposed of after  
87 he has attained his nineteenth birthday, or twenty-one in the case of a child whose case is  
88 disposed after he has attained his twentieth birthday.”

89 SECTION 22. Section 58 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
90 amended by inserting after the words “ twentieth birthday” the following words:- or twenty-two  
91 in the case of a child whose case is disposed of after he has attained his twenty-first birthday

92 SECTION 23. Section 58 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
93 amended by inserting after the words “twenty-first birthday”, the following words:- or twenty-  
94 two in the case of a child whose case is disposed of after he has attained his twenty-first birthday,

95 or twenty three in the case of a child whose case is disposed of after he has attained his twenty-  
96 second birthday

97 SECTION 24. Section 58 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
98 amended by inserting after the words “twenty-one”, in line 38, the following words:- in a case  
99 where the offense occurred prior to the child’s eighteenth birthday, or until he reaches the age of  
100 twenty- three in the case of a child whose offense occurred on or after the child’s eighteenth  
101 birthday

102 SECTION 25. Section 58 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
103 amended by inserting after the words “twenty-one”, in line 54, the following words:- in a case  
104 where the offense occurred prior to the child’s eighteenth birthday, or until he reaches the age of  
105 twenty-three in the case of a child whose offense occurred on or after the child’s eighteenth  
106 birthday

107 SECTION 26. Section 58 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
108 amended by inserting after the words “juvenile court probation department until the age of  
109 twenty-one”, in line 48, the following words:- in a case where the offense occurred prior to the  
110 child’s eighteenth birthday, or until the age of twenty-three in the case of a child whose offense  
111 occurred on or after the child’s eighteenth birthday

112 SECTION 27. Section 58 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
113 amended by inserting after the words “twenty-one”, in line 54, the following words:- in a case  
114 where the offense occurred prior to the child’s eighteenth birthday, or until he reaches the age of  
115 twenty-three in the case of a child whose offense occurred on or after the child’s eighteenth  
116 birthday



117 SECTION 28. Section 58 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
118 amended by striking out the word “eighteenth”, in line 79, and inserting in place thereof the  
119 following words:- twenty-first

120 SECTION 29. Section 58 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
121 amended by striking out the words “the Massachusetts Correctional Institution, Cedar Junction,  
122 prior to his eighteenth birthday”, in lines 77 to 79, inclusive, and inserting in place thereof the  
123 following words:- any prison owned, operated, administered or subject to the control of the  
124 department of correction including, but not limited to: Massachusetts Correctional Institution,  
125 Cedar Junction; Massachusetts Correctional Institution, Norfolk; Massachusetts Correctional  
126 Institution, Concord; Massachusetts Correctional Institution, Framingham; Massachusetts  
127 Correctional Institution, Bridgewater; Massachusetts Correctional Institution, Plymouth;  
128 Massachusetts Correctional Institution, Warwick; and Massachusetts Correctional Institution,  
129 Monroe, prior to his twenty-first birthday

130 SECTION 30. Section 58 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
131 amended by striking out the words “until such child attains his eighteenth birthday or his  
132 nineteenth birthday in the case of a child whose case is disposed of after he has attained his  
133 eighteenth birthday”, in lines 97 to 99, inclusive, and inserting in place thereof the following  
134 words:- until such child attains his nineteenth birthday or his twentieth birthday in the case of a  
135 child whose case is disposed of after he has attained his nineteenth birthday

136 SECTION 31. Section 58 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
137 amended by striking out the words “ until such child attains his nineteenth birthday or his  
138 twentieth birthday in the case of a child whose case is disposed of after he has attained his

139 nineteenth birthday”, in lines 97 to 99, inclusive, and inserting in place thereof the following  
140 words:- until such child attains his twentieth birthday or his twenty first birthday in the case of a  
141 child whose case is disposed of after he has attained his twentieth birthday

142 SECTION 32. Section 58 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
143 amended by striking out the words“ until such child attains his twentieth birthday or his twenty  
144 first birthday in the case of a child whose case is disposed of after he has attained his twentieth  
145 birthday”, in lines 97 to 99, inclusive, and inserting in place thereof the following words:- until  
146 such child attains his twenty first or his twenty second birthday in the case of a child whose case  
147 is disposed of after he has attained his twenty first birthday

148 SECTION 33. Section 60A of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
149 hereby amended by striking out, in line 17, the words “ eighteenth birthdays” and inserting in  
150 place thereof the following words:- the age of criminal majority

151 SECTION 34. Section 60A of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
152 hereby amended by striking out, in line 20, the words, “ been age 18 older” and inserting in  
153 place thereof the following words:- attained the age of criminal majority

154 SECTION 35. Section 60A of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
155 hereby amended by striking out, in line 22, the words “were age 18 or older” and inserting in  
156 place thereof the following words:- attained the age of criminal majority

157 SECTION 36. Section 63A of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
158 hereby amended by striking out, in line 1, the words “is 19 years of age” and inserting in place  
159 thereof the following words:- attained the age of criminal majority

160 SECTION 37. Section 63A of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
161 hereby amended by striking out, in line 2, the number “18” and inserting in place thereof the  
162 following number:- criminal majority

163 SECTION 38. Section 65 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
164 amended by striking out, in line 2, the words “18 years of age” and inserting in place thereof the  
165 following words:- the age of criminal majority

166 SECTION 39. Section 66 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
167 amended by striking out, in lines 3 and 5, the words “18 years of age” and inserting in place  
168 thereof the following words:- the age of criminal majority

169 SECTION 40. Section 67 of Chapter 119, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking  
170 out in subsection (a), subsection (b), and subsection (d) as amended by section 76 of chapter 69  
171 of the Acts of 2018, the words “18 years of age” and inserting in place thereof the following  
172 words:- the age of criminal majority

173 SECTION 41. Chapter 119, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out in section  
174 68 as amended by section 77 of chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018, the number “18” and inserting in  
175 place thereof the following words:- criminal majority

176 SECTION 42. Chapter 119, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in section  
177 68, as amended by section 77 of chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018, the words “18 years of age” and  
178 inserting in place thereof the following words:- the age of criminal majority

179 SECTION 43. Chapter 119, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in section  
180 68A, as amended by section 77 of chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018, the words “18 years of age”  
181 and inserting in place thereof the following words:- the age of criminal majority

182 SECTION 44. Section 70 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
183 amended by striking out, in line 2, the words “18 years of age” and inserting in place thereof the  
184 following words:- the age of criminal majority

185 SECTION 45. Section 72 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
186 amended by striking out, in lines 2 through 3, inclusive, the words “their eighteenth birthday”  
187 and inserting in place thereof the following words:- the age of criminal majority

188 SECTION 46. Section 72 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
189 amended by striking out in, line 9, the word “ twentieth” and inserting in place thereof the  
190 following words:- twenty first

191 SECTION 47. Section 72 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
192 amended in by striking out, in line 9, the word “twenty first” and inserting in place thereof the  
193 following words:- twenty second

194 SECTION 48. Section 72 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
195 amended by striking out the word “twenty second” and inserting in place thereof the following  
196 words:- twenty third

197 SECTION 49. Section 72 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
198 amended by striking out, in lines 10 to 13, inclusive, the words “ prior to his eighteenth birthday,  
199 and is not apprehended until between such child’s eighteenth and nineteenth birthday, the court

200 shall deal with such child in the same manner as if he has not attained his eighteenth birthday and  
201 all provisions and rights applicable to a child under 18 shall apply to such child” and inserting in  
202 place thereof the following:- prior to attaining the age of criminal majority, and is not  
203 apprehended until between such child’s attainment of the age of criminal majority and the  
204 subsequent birthday, the court shall deal with such child in the same manner as if he has not  
205 attained the age of criminal majority and all provisions and rights applicable to a child under 18  
206 shall apply to such child

207 SECTION 50. Subsection (b) of section 72 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so  
208 appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 18, the words “their eighteenth  
209 birthday”and inserting in place thereof the following words:- the age of criminal majority

210 SECTION 51. Section 72 of said chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
211 hereby amended by striking out, in line 25, the words “twenty-first and inserting in place thereof  
212 the following words:- twenty-third

213 SECTION 52. Section 72A of said chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
214 hereby amended by striking out, in lines 2 to 3, inclusive, the words “his eighteenth birthday, and  
215 is not apprehended until after his nineteenth birthday,” and inserting in place thereof the  
216 following:- attaining the age of criminal majority, and is not apprehended until after his  
217 subsequent birthday

218 SECTION 53. Section 72B of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
219 hereby amended by striking out, in all instances, the words “his eighteenth birthday” and  
220 inserting in place thereof the following words:- attaining the age of criminal majority

221 SECTION 54. Section 74 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2018  
222 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 3 through 4, inclusive, the words  
223 “his eighteenth birthday” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- attaining the age of  
224 criminal majority

225 SECTION 55. Section 74 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
226 amended by striking out, in lines 10 and 14, the words “18 years of age” and inserting in place  
227 thereof the following words:- the age of criminal majority

228 SECTION 56. Section 84 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
229 amended by striking out, in the first paragraph, as amended by section 78 of chapter 69 of the  
230 Acts of 2018, the words “eighteen (or nineteen) years of age” and inserting in place thereof the  
231 following words:- the age of criminal majority (or one year older)

232 SECTION 57. Section 86 of chapter 119, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking  
233 out, in the definition of “Juvenile” of subsection (a), as amended by section 80 of chapter 69 of  
234 the Acts of 2018, the number “21” and inserting in place thereof the following number:- 23

235 SECTION 58. Section 89 of chapter 119, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking  
236 out, in the definition of “Juvenile” of subsection (a), as amended by section 80 of chapter 69 of  
237 the Acts of 2018, the number “18” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- criminal  
238 majority

239 SECTION 59. Section 89 of chapter 119, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking  
240 out, in the definition of “Juvenile” of subsection (a), as amended by section 80 of chapter 69 of  
241 the Acts of 2018, the number “22” and inserting in place thereof the following number:- 23

242 SECTION 60. Section 15 of chapter 120 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
243 amended by striking out, in lines 3 and 4, the number “18” and inserting in place thereof the  
244 following words:- the age of criminal majority

245 SECTION 61. Section 21 of chapter 120 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
246 amended by striking out, in lines 6, 9 and 10, the word “conviction” and inserting in place  
247 thereof the following word:- adjudication

248 SECTION 62. Section 21 of chapter 120 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
249 amended by striking out, in line 17, the words “18 years of age” and inserting in place thereof the  
250 following words:- the age of criminal majority

251 SECTION 63. Section 2A of chapter 211D of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
252 hereby amended by striking out, in subsection (f), as amended by section 107 of chapter 69 of  
253 the Acts of 2018, the words “18 years of age” and inserting in place thereof the following  
254 words:- the age of criminal majority

255 SECTION 64. Section 13 of chapter 250 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
256 amended by striking out, in line 3, the number “18” and inserting in place thereof the following  
257 words:- criminal majority

258 SECTION 65. Section 2 of chapter 258E of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
259 amended by striking out, in line 7, the number “18” and inserting in place thereof the following  
260 words:- criminal majority

261 SECTION 66. Section 15A of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
262 hereby amended by striking out, in line 24, the words “18 years of age” and inserting in place  
263 thereof the following words:- who has attained the age of criminal majority

264 SECTION 67. Section 15A of said chapter 265 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
265 hereby amended by striking out, in line 46, the words “is 18 years of age or over” and inserting  
266 in place thereof the words:- has attained the age of criminal majority

267 SECTION 68. Section 15B of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
268 hereby amended by striking out, in line 24, the words “ 18 years of age or over” and inserting in  
269 place thereof the following words:- who has attained the age of criminal majority

270 SECTION 69. Section 18 of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
271 amended by striking out, in line 26, the number “18 years of over” and inserting in place thereof  
272 the following words:- who has attained the age of criminal majority

273 SECTION 70. Section 18B of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
274 hereby amended by striking out, in line 43, the words “18 years of age or over” and inserting in  
275 place thereof the following words:- who has attained the age of criminal majority

276 SECTION 71. Section 19 of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
277 amended by striking out, in line 23, the words “18 years of age or over” and inserting in place  
278 thereof the following words:- who has attained the age of criminal majority

279 SECTION 72. Section 43 of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
280 amended by striking out, in lines 56 and 89, the words “18 years of age or over” and inserting in  
281 place thereof the following words:- who has attained the age of criminal majority



282 SECTION 73. Section 59 of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as added by section 132 of  
283 chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018, is hereby amended by striking out the number “18” and inserting  
284 in place thereof the following words:- criminal majority

285 SECTION 74. Section 10 of chapter 269 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
286 amended by striking out, in line 53, the words “18 years of age or older” and inserting in place  
287 thereof the following words:- who has attained the age of criminal majority

288 SECTION 75. Section 10 of chapter 269 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
289 amended by striking out, in line 55, the number “18” and inserting in place thereof the words:-  
290 the age of criminal majority

291 SECTION 76. Section 10 of chapter 269 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
292 amended by striking out, in lines 223 and 225, the words “18 years of age or over” and inserting  
293 in place thereof the words:- who has attained the age of criminal majority”

294 SECTION 77. Section 10E of chapter 269 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
295 hereby amended by striking out, in lines 40 through 41, inclusive, the words “18 years of age or  
296 older” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- who has attained the age of criminal  
297 majority

298 SECTION 78. Section 10E of chapter 269 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
299 hereby further amended by striking out, in line 42, the number “18” and inserting in place thereof  
300 the words:- the age of criminal majority

301 SECTION 79. Section 10F of chapter 269 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
302 amended by striking out, in lines 4 and 28, the words “18 years of age or over” and inserting in  
303 place thereof the following words:- who has attained the age of criminal majority

304 SECTION 80. Section 10F of chapter 269 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
305 amended by striking out, in line 32, the number “18” and inserting in place thereof the following  
306 words:- criminal majority

307 SECTION 81. Section 10F of chapter 269 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
308 amended by striking out, in line 50, the words “17 years of age or over” and inserting in place  
309 thereof the following words:- who has attained the age of criminal majority

310 SECTION 82. Section 10G of chapter 269 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
311 hereby amended by striking out, in line 34, the words “18 years of age or over” and inserting in  
312 place thereof the following words:- who has attained the age of criminal majority

313 SECTION 83. Section 87 of chapter 276 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
314 amended by striking out, in line 7, the number “18” and inserting in place thereof the following  
315 words:- criminal majority

316 SECTION 84. Section 87 of chapter 276 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
317 amended by striking out, in lines 14 and 15, inclusive, the words “was eighteen years of age or  
318 older” and inserting in place thereof the words:- had attained the age of criminal majority

319 SECTION 85. Section 89A of chapter 276 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
320 hereby amended by striking out, in line 3, the number “18” and inserting in place thereof the  
321 following words:- criminal majority

322 SECTION 86. Section 89B of chapter 276 of the General Laws, as added by section 183  
323 of chapter 69 of the Acts of 2018, is hereby amended by striking out the words “are 18 to 24”  
324 and inserting in place thereof the following words:- attained the age of criminal majority and are  
325 under 25

326 SECTION 87. Section 100D of chapter 276 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is  
327 hereby amended by striking out, in line 8, the number “17” and inserting in place thereof the  
328 following words:- criminal majority

329 SECTION 88. Section 6B of chapter 280 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby  
330 amended by striking out, in the first paragraph, as amended by section 209 of chapter 69 of the  
331 Acts of 2018, the words “18 years” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- criminal  
332 majority

333 SECTION 89. Sections 1, 30, 46 are hereby repealed.

334 SECTION 90. Section 89 shall take effect on July 1, 2024.

335 SECTION 91. Sections 2, 31, and 47 shall take effect on July 1, 2024.

336 SECTION 92. Sections 18 and 22, shall take effect on July 1, 2024.

337 SECTION 93. Section 91 is hereby repealed.

338 SECTION 94. Section 93 shall take effect on July 1, 2026.

339 SECTION 95. Sections 3, 19, 23, 32, and 48 shall take effect on July 1, 2026.