HOUSE No. 1919

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Timothy R. Whelan

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 relative to protecting victims of domestic violence.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Timothy R. Whelan	1st Barnstable	1/14/2021
Adam J. Scanlon	14th Bristol	1/21/2021
Brian M. Ashe	2nd Hampden	1/25/2021
Steven G. Xiarhos	5th Barnstable	1/25/2021
Alan Silvia	7th Bristol	1/26/2021
Joseph D. McKenna	18th Worcester	1/27/2021
Vanna Howard	17th Middlesex	2/1/2021
Donald H. Wong	9th Essex	2/1/2021
Shawn Dooley	9th Norfolk	2/1/2021
Bud L. Williams	11th Hampden	2/3/2021
Michael O. Moore	Second Worcester	2/8/2021
Hannah Kane	11th Worcester	2/11/2021
Kimberly N. Ferguson	1st Worcester	2/11/2021
David K. Muradian, Jr.	9th Worcester	2/24/2021
Kathleen R. LaNatra	12th Plymouth	2/24/2021
Alyson M. Sullivan	7th Plymouth	2/24/2021
David Allen Robertson	19th Middlesex	2/25/2021

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By Mr. Whelan of Brewster, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1919) of Timothy R. Whelan and others relative to protecting victims of domestic violence by increasing the penalties for certain assault or assault and battery on a family or household member violations. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1579 OF 2019-2020.]

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

An Act relative to protecting victims of domestic violence.

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. Said section 13M of Chapter 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended by

- 2 striking out paragraph two and inserting in it's place the following:- (b) Whoever is convicted of
- a second offense of assault or assault and battery on a family or household member shall be
- 4 punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than 5 years, or by a fine of not more
- 5 than \$10,000, or both such fine and imprisonment. Whoever is convicted of a third or
- 6 subsequent offense of assault or assault and battery on a family or household member shall be
- 7 punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than 10 years, or by a fine of not more
- 8 than \$20,000, or by both such fine and imprisonment...