

HOUSE No. 02218

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, 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:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>
<i>Angelo D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Shaunna O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>Sheila Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>Steven L. Levy</i>	<i>4th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>
<i>George N. Peterson, Jr.</i>	<i>9th Worcester</i>
<i>Elizabeth Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Viriato Manuel deMacedo</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2218) of Frost and others relative to the indemnification of certain persons from civil proceedings for injuries or deaths of persons unlawfully entering their dwelling Joint Committee on the Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
□ HOUSE
□ , NO. 3520 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven
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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:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 8A of chapter 278 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
- 2 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 person
- 4 shall not be liable in civil proceedings for the injury or death of the person unlawfully in said
- 5 dwelling.