

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2272**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***Diana DiZoglio, (BY REQUEST)***

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*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 the statute of limitations in civil child sexual abuse cases.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Bassam Haddad*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*33 Third Street, North Andover, MA 01845*

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By Ms. DiZoglio of Methuen (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2272) of Bassam Haddad relative to the statute of limitations in civil child sexual abuse cases. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 4150 OF 2015-2016.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to the statute of limitations in civil child sexual abuse cases.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           The first sentence of section 8 of chapter 145 of the acts of 2014 is hereby amended by  
2 inserting after the word “act” the following words:-

3           ; provided, however, that if the person who sexually abused the minor is deceased, clause  
4 (i) shall apply regardless of when any such action or claim shall have accrued or been filed and  
5 regardless of whether it may have lapsed or otherwise be barred by time under the law of the  
6 commonwealth.