

HOUSE No. 2301

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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to parole for previous life sentences.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2301) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others relative to parole for previous life sentences. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to parole for previous life sentences.

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 24 of Chapter 279 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended in line 19 by striking out the following: “20” and inserting in
3 place thereof the following: “30”.

4 SECTION 2. Section 24 of Chapter 279 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
5 Official Edition, is hereby amended in line 20 by striking out the following: “30” and inserting in
6 place thereof the following: “40”.

7 SECTION 3. Section 24 of Chapter 279 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
8 Official Edition, is hereby amended in line 24 by striking out the following: “30” and inserting in
9 place thereof the following: “40”.

10 SECTION 4. Section 24 of Chapter 279 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
11 Official Edition, is hereby amended in line 29 by striking out the following: “25 years nor more
12 than 30” and inserting in place thereof the following: “35 years nor more than 40”.