

HOUSE No. 02830

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 the protection of public safety officers.

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>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>George Ross</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>Sheila Harrington</i>	<i>1st 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. 2830) of Frost and others for legislation to establish a criminal penalty for possession of a handcuff key by certain persons held in custody Joint Committee on the Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
□ HOUSE
□ , NO. 1447 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to the protection of public safety officers.

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. Chapter 268 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is
- 2 hereby amended by inserting after section 15A the following new section:-
- 3 Section 15B. Any prisoner or inmate of any penal or correctional facility in the commonwealth,
- 4 whether being held in custody for a court appearance, or committed to any penal or correctional
- 5 facility in the commonwealth under a lawful order of a court, who is found in possession of a
- 6 handcuff key shall be punished by imprisonment in a jail or house of correction for a term of one
- 7 year.