

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 02864**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

*Steven M. Walsh*

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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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act clarifying the technical definition of a dangerous weapon in a school zone.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Steven M. Walsh*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*11th Essex*

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By Mr. Walsh of Lynn, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2864) of Walsh relative to the definition of a dangerous weapon and the possession of such weapons in the vicinity of educational facilities Joint Committee on the Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE  
□ HOUSE  
□ , NO. 1776 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act clarifying the technical definition of a dangerous weapon in a school zone.

*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 10 of Chapter 269 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is
- 2 hereby amended in subsection (j) by inserting following the words “by whatever means,” the
- 3 words:- “and ‘dangerous weapon’ shall mean any other instrument reasonably believed to cause
- 4 bodily harm.”