

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3471**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*RoseLee Vincent*

*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 penalties for accessory after the murder of a minor child.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*RoseLee Vincent*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*16th Suffolk*

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By Ms. Vincent of Revere, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3471) of RoseLee Vincent relative to penalties for persons acting as accessories after murders of minor children. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE [Refile Branch], NO. OF 2017-2018.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act relative to the penalties for accessory after the murder of a minor child.

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

1 Chapter 274 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 4 the  
2 following section:-

3 Section 4A. Whoever, after the commission of a murder committed on a victim who was  
4 a minor child, harbors, conceals, maintains or assists the principal felon or accessory before the  
5 fact, or gives such offender any other aid, knowing that he or she has committed a felony or has  
6 been accessory thereto before the fact, with intent that he or she shall avoid or escape detention,  
7 arrest, trial or punishment, shall be an accessory after the fact, be punished by imprisonment in  
8 the state prison for not more than 20 years or by a fine of not more than \$10,000 dollars.