

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3866**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

*Adam J. Scanlon*

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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 regarding DNA exception rule for victims of rape.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Adam J. Scanlon</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>3/26/2021</i>

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By Mr. Scanlon of North Attleborough, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Adam J. Scanlon relative to a DNA exception rule for victims of rape. The Judiciary.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act regarding DNA exception rule for victims of rape.

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

1 "Notwithstanding the first paragraph, in the case of a victim of a crime set forth in  
2 section 22 of chapter 265, if DNA is matched to a rape kit at least 15 years since the crime took  
3 place, then the period of limitation for prosecution shall be extended indefinitely beyond the 15  
4 year statute of limitations."