

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3904**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Chris Walsh*

*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 to amend Section 3, Chapter 258e of the General Laws relative to Filing of complaint; impounding of case record information; filing fee; expiration of order; modification of order; time for filing; nonexclusivity of remedy for Harrassment Prevention Orders.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Walsh of Framingham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Chris Walsh, David F. DeCoste and David Paul Linsky relative to harassment prevention orders. The Judiciary.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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*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 3 of Chapter 258e of the General Laws, is hereby amended by  
2 inserting the following language at the end of the section:

3           (h) Upon a successful motion to vacate the harassment prevention order made by a  
4 plaintiff in the case, the defendant’s record shall be expunged and no evidence of the harassment  
5 prevention order shall remain on the defendant’s record.