

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4248**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Claire D. Cronin*

*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 criminalizing the rental of cars to be used in crimes.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Claire D. Cronin*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*11th Plymouth*

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By Ms. Cronin of Easton, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Claire D. Cronin relative to the punishment for the use of rental vehicles in the commission of crimes. The Judiciary.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)  
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An Act criminalizing the rental of cars to be used in crimes.

*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 266 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, is hereby  
2 amended by inserting after section 87A the following section:-

3 Section 87B. Whoever intentionally enters into a rental agreement governing the use of a  
4 private passenger automobile, as defined in section 32E½ of chapter 90, knowing that such  
5 automobile will be used in the commission of a crime punishable by imprisonment in the state  
6 prison shall be an accessory before the fact to such crime and shall be punished by imprisonment  
7 in a jail or house of correction for not more than 2 ½ years or by a fine of not more than \$10,000,  
8 or by both such fine and imprisonment.