

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 00657**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

*Kathi-Anne Reinstein*

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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 relative to shooting near highway or dwelling..

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Kathi-Anne Reinstein*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*16th Suffolk*

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By Ms. Kathi-Anne Reinstein of Revere, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 00657) of Kathi-Anne Reinstein relative to the discharge of a firearm or release of an arrow near a highway or dwelling. Joint Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE  
□ HOUSE  
□ , NO. 2267 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act relative to shooting near highway or dwelling..

*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. Chapter 131 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is  
2 hereby amended by striking out section 58 and inserting in place thereof the following section:-  
3 Section 58. A person shall not discharge any firearm or release any arrow upon or across any  
4 state or hard surfaced highway, or within one hundred and fifty feet, of any such highway, or  
5 possess a loaded firearm or hunt by any means on the land of another within one thousand feet of  
6 any dwelling in use, except as authorized by the owner or occupant thereof. For the purposes of  
7 this section, the state or local police, environmental police officers and deputy environmental  
8 police officers, in areas over which they have jurisdiction, shall have the power to enforce the  
9 provisions of this section.