

SENATE No. 2372

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2017-2018)**

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Report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two branches, with reference to the House amendments to the Senate Bill relative to criminal justice reform (Senate, No. 2200) (amended by the House by striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the text of House document numbered 4043),-- reports on the residue, a "Bill relative to the Garden of Peace." (Senate, No. 2372).

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An Act relative to the Garden of Peace.

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 10 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by inserting after section 35EEE the following section:-

3 Section 35FFF. There shall be established and set up on the books of the commonwealth
4 the Garden of Peace Trust Fund to be expended, without further appropriation, for the operation
5 of the Garden of Peace. The fund shall consist of the existing balance held by the Garden of
6 Peace, Inc. and all revenues received by the commonwealth from public and private sources as
7 gifts, grants and donations to support and maintain the Garden of Peace. Any balance in the
8 fund at the end of the fiscal year shall not revert to the General Fund, but shall remain available
9 for expenditure in subsequent years. No expenditure made from the fund shall cause the fund to
10 become deficient at any point during a fiscal year.

11 SECTION 2. The fifth paragraph of section 4 of chapter 258B of the General Laws, as so
12 appearing, is hereby amended by adding the following clause:- (e) assume the management and
13 administration of the Garden of Peace, a public memorial garden located on the plaza of 100
14 Cambridge street in the city of Boston to honor victims of homicide, receive any gifts or grants

15 of money or property for the purpose of assisting the board in the maintenance and operation of
16 the memorial and establish an advisory committee which shall consist of individuals who have
17 served on the board of directors of the Garden of Peace or other interested citizens appointed by
18 the victim witness assistance board to provide ongoing advice to said board.