SENATE . . No. 800

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 recording court proceedings.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Richard J. Ross	Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex

SENATE No. 800

By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 800) of Bruce E. Tarr and Richard J. Ross for legislation to record court proceedings. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE

□ SENATE
□ , NO. 889 OF 2011-2012.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An act relative to recording court proceedings.

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

- SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, all courts of the
- 2 Commonwealth shall record all proceedings through either visual or audio recording, and shall
- 3 make such recordings available to the public at a reasonable fee.