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## **SENATE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 00837**

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Anthony W. Petruccelli

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 sexual abuse of minors.

PETITION OF:

NAME: DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Anthony W. Petruccelli First Suffolk and Middlesex

**SENATE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 00837** 

By Mr. Petruccelli, petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 837) of Petruccelli for legislation relative to sexual abuse of minors [Joint Committee on the Judiciary].

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to sexual abuse of minors.

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 4C of chapter 260 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008
- 2 Official Edition, shall be amended by striking out the first paragraph thereof as so appearing, and
- 3 inserting in place thereof the following:-
- 4 Section 4C. Sexual Abuse of Minors
- 5 Any actions for assault and battery alleging the defendant sexually abused a minor, or for
- 6 negligence alleging that the defendant negligently supervised a third person who sexually abused
- 7 a minor, or that the defendant's conduct caused or contributed to the sexual abuse of a minor by
- 8 a third person, may be commenced at any time.