

**SENATE . . . . . No. 914**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***William N. Brownsberger***

*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 relative to the addition of sex and gender as a protected class category for crime prosecutions.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>William N. Brownsberger</i>	<i>Suffolk and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Margaret R. Scarsdale</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>	<i>12/14/2023</i>
<i>Rebecca L. Rausch</i>	<i>Norfolk, Worcester and Middlesex</i>	<i>1/31/2024</i>

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By Mr. Brownsberger, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 914) of William N. Brownsberger for legislation relative to the addition of sex and gender as a protected class category for crime prosecutions. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 2453 OF 2021-2022.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act relative to the addition of sex and gender as a protected class category for crime prosecutions.

*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 39 of chapter 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended in subsection (a) by
- 2 inserting after the words “national origin,” the following words:- sex, gender,