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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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:

An Act relative to juvenile restitution.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	*20th Middlesex*
Donald F. Humason, Jr.	*4th Hampden*
Sheila C. Harrington	*1st Middlesex*
F. Jay Barrows	*1st Bristol*
Shaunna O'Connell	*3rd Bristol*
Susan Williams Gifford	*2nd Plymouth*
George T. Ross	*2nd Bristol*
Todd M. Smola	*1st Hampden*
Matthew A. Beaton	*11th Worcester*
Kimberly N. Ferguson	*1st Worcester*
Paul K. Frost	*7th Worcester*
George N. Peterson, Jr.	*9th Worcester*
Elizabeth A. Poirier	*14th Bristol*
Viriato Manuel deMacedo	*1st Plymouth*

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2201) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others relative to authorizing the courts of the Commonwealth to establish a system of juvenile restitution. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
HOUSE
, NO. *1436* OF 2009-2010.]

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An Act relative to juvenile restitution.

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. Chapter 119 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Ediction, is hereby amended by inserting after section 62 the following new section:-

Section 62A. The court shall make all reasonable efforts to ensure that restitution is made to the victim of a juvenile offender. The court shall order that the juvenile be required to repair, replace or otherwise make restitution for damage or loss caused by his wrongful act and may impose fines in limited amounts. Restitution shall be made a condition of release, placement, or parole by the juvenile court. In cases where the court determines it is appropriate, the court may order the juvenile to make restitution directly to the court in the form of financial payments, which shall then be turned over to the victim of the offense. The court may issue such orders as are necessary for the collection of restitution, including garnishments, wage withholdings and executions.