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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 the protection of public safety officers.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: |
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| *Bradley H. Jones, Jr.* | *20th Middlesex* |
| *Donald F. Humason, Jr.* | *4th Hampden* |
| *F. Jay Barrows* | *1st Bristol* |
| *George T. Ross* | *2nd Bristol* |
| *Todd M. Smola* | *1st Hampden* |
| *Sheila C. Harrington* | *1st Middlesex* |
| *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. 2830) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others for legislation to establish a criminal penalty for possession of a handcuff key by certain persons held in custody. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
HOUSE
, NO. *1447* OF 2009-2010.]

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

An Act relative to the protection of public safety officers.

*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 268 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 15A the following new section:-

Section 15B. Any prisoner or inmate of any penal or correctional facility in the commonwealth, whether being held in custody for a court appearance, or committed to any penal or correctional facility in the commonwealth under a lawful order of a court, who is found in possession of a handcuff key shall be punished by imprisonment in a jail or house of correction for a term of one year.