

HOUSE No. 230

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jennifer M. Callahan

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 electronic identity theft.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Jennifer M. Callahan	18th Worcester
Thomas P. Kennedy	Second Plymouth and Bristol
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
William Lantigua	16th Essex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 210 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO ELECTRONIC IDENTITY THEFT.

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

1 Chapter 266 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 120F the following
2 section:-

3 Section 120G. Whoever, without authorization, knowingly creates or promotes a web page or blog, so-called, that
4 claims to be the property or the identity of a person other than themselves, shall be punished by imprisonment in the
5 house of correction for not more than 30 days or by a fine of not more than \$500 or both for a first offense. A
6 second or subsequent offense shall be punished by imprisonment in the house of correction for not more than 6
7 months or by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or both.