

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1718**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Brian A. Joyce**

*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 requiring police notification to certain neighbors of level 2 sex offenders.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Brian A. Joyce

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

## AN ACT REQUIRING POLICE NOTIFICATION TO CERTAIN NEIGHBORS OF LEVEL 2 SEX OFFENDERS.

*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 178K of chapter 6 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official  
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "Investigation.", in line 124, the following 2  
3 sentences:- The police department in the municipality where a level 2 offender's primary residence, and  
4 secondary residence if any, is located shall provide notice to all immediate abutters of the following  
5 information: the name of the offender, his home address, work address, the offense(s) and date(s) for  
6 which the offender was convicted or adjudicated, the offender's age, sex, race, height, weight, eye and  
7 hair color and a photograph of the offender, if available. Such notice shall include a warning regarding  
8 the criminal penalties for use of sex offender registry information to commit a crime or to engage in  
9 illegal discrimination or harassment of an offender and the punishment for threatening to commit a crime  
10 under section 4 of chapter 275.