

HOUSE No. 416

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James M. Cantwell and F. Jay Barrows

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 to exempt family members of murder victims from jury service.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/19/2011</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>	<i>1/19/2011</i>

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By Messrs. Cantwell of Marshfield and Barrows of Mansfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 416) of James M. Cantwell and F. Jay Barrows for legislation to exempt family members of murder victims from jury service. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven
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An Act to exempt family members of murder victims from jury service.

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 4 of chapter 234A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by adding the following:-

3 9. Such person is the direct family member of a murder victim. A direct family
4 member shall mean a spouse, child, parent, sibling, grandparent or any spouse of such child,
5 parent, sibling or grandparent.