

SENATE No. 777

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jennifer L. Flanagan

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 relative to dangerousness hearings..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Jennifer L. Flanagan</i>	
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Joseph D. Early Jr</i>	<i>District Attorney, Middle District 225 Main Street Worcester, MA 01608</i>

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By Ms. Flanagan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 777) of Jennifer L. Flanagan and Jennifer E. Benson for legislation relative to dangerousness hearings. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 2312 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven
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An Act relative to dangerousness hearings..

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. Subsection (4) of section 58A of chapter 276 of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the following sentence
3 in lines 100 to 102: - "The hearing shall be held immediately upon the person's first appearance
4 before the court unless that person, or the attorney for the commonwealth, seeks a continuance."