

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1509**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***James M. Murphy***

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*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 evidence.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

*James M. Murphy*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*4th Norfolk*

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By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1509) of James M. Murphy relative to searches without a warrant with the belief that documentary evidence will be destroyed, secreted or lost. The Judiciary.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act relative to evidence.

*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 of Chapter 276 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
- 2 inserting after the phrase “does not issue” the following: “or unless a judge determines that no
- 3 testimonial privilege applies and the evidence is necessary to a criminal investigation.”