

HOUSE No. 4106

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 21, 2016.

The committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1193) of Garrett J. Bradley and Jeffrey N. Roy relative to audiovisual judicial depositions, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4106) ought to pass.

For the committee,

JOHN V. FERNANDES.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act to allow audiovisual depositions.

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 30 of chapter 233 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following:-

3 Any party taking an oral deposition may have the testimony recorded by other than
4 stenographic means; including but not limited to audio-visual recording.

5 A party seeking to take an oral deposition by audio-visual recording may take such
6 deposition without leave of court, and without agreement by any other party to the action. The
7 party opting to record the deposition by audio-visual means shall bear the entire cost of such
8 recording.