

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1292**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Nine**  
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An Act providing for the issuance of certain restraining orders..

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 43A the  
2 following section:—

3 Section 43B. A person suffering from a pattern of conduct or series of acts over a period  
4 of time directed at such person which seriously alarms or annoys that person and would cause a  
5 reasonable person to suffer emotional distress may file a complaint in the district court or Boston  
6 municipal court department of the trial court requesting protection from such conduct or act and  
7 the court may issue appropriate orders to provide such protection.