

HOUSE No. 1445

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act relative to improving the protection of children..

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. The third paragraph of subdivision (4) of Section 26 of chapter 119 of the
2 General Laws, as most recently amended by chapter 176 of the acts of 2008, is hereby further
3 amended by striking out clause (ii) and inserting in place thereof, the following:-

4 (ii) the parent has been convicted by a court of competent jurisdiction of the murder or
5 voluntary manslaughter of another child of such parent or of the child's other parent, of aiding,
6 abetting, attempting, conspiring or soliciting to commit such murder or voluntary manslaughter
7 or of an assault constituting a felony which resulted in serious bodily injury to the child, to
8 another child of such parent or to the child's other parent.