## **HOUSE**

. No. 230

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act relative to electronic identity theft..

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 266 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 120F the
- 2 following section:-
- 3 Section 120G. Whoever, without authorization, knowingly creates or promotes a web
- 4 page or blog, so-called, that claims to be the property or the identity of a person other than
- 5 themselves, shall be punished by imprisonment in the house of correction for not more than 30
- 6 days or by a fine of not more than \$500 or both for a first offense. A second or subsequent
- 7 offense shall be punished by imprisonment in the house of correction for not more than 6 months
- 8 or by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or both.