

HOUSE No. 3524

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act relative to increasing the age in which a person may receive a speedy trial.

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 59F of Chapter 231 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking it in its entirety and replaced with the following:

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4 Chapter 231: Section 59F. Speedy trial for persons seventy-two years of age or older

5 Section 59F. In any civil action in any court of the commonwealth in which one or more
6 of the parties at the time of commencement of the proceeding is seventy-two years of age or
7 older or during the pendency of the proceeding attains the age of seventy-two, the court shall,
8 upon motion of such person, advance the proceeding for speedy trial so that it may be heard and
9 determined with as little delay as possible.