

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 4529**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand Ten**  
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An Act further defining the dissemination of obscene material..

*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 31 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking, in lines 40 through 43, inclusive, the definition  
3 of “Matter” and inserting in place thereof the following definition:-

4           “Matter”, any handwritten or printed material, visual representation, live performance or  
5 sound recording including but not limited to books, magazines, motion picture films, pamphlets,  
6 phonographic records, pictures, photographs, figures, statues, plays, dances, or any electronic  
7 communication including but not limited to any transfer of signs, signals, writing, images,  
8 sounds, data, or intelligence of any nature transmitted in whole or in part by a wire, radio,  
9 electromagnetic, photo-electronic or photo-optical system.