HOUSE No. 2641

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Anne M. Gobi

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to bridge safety on Massachusetts highways.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Anne M. Gobi	5th Worcester	1/20/2011
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden	2/2/2011

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By Ms. Gobi of Spencer, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2641) of Smola and Gobi relative to protective fences on bridges Joint Committee on Transportation.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 3225 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to bridge safety on Massachusetts highways.

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

- SECTION 1. Chapter 81 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding after Section
- 2 18 the following new section:
- 3 "Section 18A: Where all Massachusetts owned highways intersect, by crossing over,
- 4 another roadway or highway in the Commonwealth a protective fence will be installed on the
- 5 bridge, created by the cross over, for the protection of persons located on the side of said bridge.
- 6 The fence shall be of requisite height to prevent any persons located next to it from falling from
- 7 the above bridge onto the below located roadway.
- 8 SECTION 2. This act shall be known as the Andrew S. Castonguay Act.