

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2691**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera***

*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 protecting against the sale of stolen goods.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>	<i>1/21/2011</i>
<i>Benjamin Swan</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>

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By Ms. Coakley-Rivera of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2691) of Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera and Benjamin Swan relative to protecting against the sale of stolen goods to pawnbrokers and dealer in second hand articles. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**

An Act protecting against the sale of stolen goods.

*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 140 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby  
2 amended by inserting the following section:-

3 Section 207. No pawnbroker, dealer in second hand articles, or other individual or  
4 business licensed by a city or town pursuant to sections 54 or 70 of this chapter shall accept an  
5 item for pawn or resale unless: (a) the person offering the item for pawn or resale has provided  
6 proof of their ownership of the item and (b) the pawnbroker, dealer in second hand articles, or  
7 other individual or business has obtained a form of identification identifying the person offering  
8 the item for pawn or sale and made a copy of said form of identification. Copies of the form of  
9 identification shall be maintained by the pawnbroker, dealer in second hand articles, or other  
10 individual or business for a period of 2 years following the purchase of the item or receipt of the  
11 item for pawn.