

HOUSE No. 2808

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 prohibiting unattended children in motor vehicles.

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. 2808) of Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera and Benjamin Swan for legislation to impose a penalty for leaving unattended children in motor vehicles. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven
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An Act prohibiting unattended children in motor vehicles.

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. Chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by inserting the following section:-

3 Section 62. A person responsible for a child who is 8 years of age or younger shall not
4 leave said child in a motor vehicle without being accompanied by a person who is at least 14
5 years of age. A violation of this section shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$200 for
6 the first offense and a fine of not more than \$500 for a second or subsequent offense.