

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2810**

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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 increasing penalties for cruelty to animals.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Geraldo Alicea</i>	<i>6th Worcester</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>Benjamin Swan</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>

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By Ms. Coakley-Rivera of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2810) of Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera and others relative to increasing the penalties for cruelty to animals. The Judiciary.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**

An Act increasing penalties for cruelty to animals.

*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 77 of chapter 272 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 19, the number “5” and inserting in  
3 place thereof the following number:- 10

4 SECTION 2. Section 77 of chapter 272 of the General Laws is hereby further amended  
5 by striking out, in line 21, the amount “\$2,500” and inserting in place thereof the following  
6 amount:- \$5,000