HOUSE No. 2830

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 the protection of public safety officers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex	1/20/2011
Donald F. Humason, Jr.	4th Hampden	1/27/2011
F. Jay Barrows	1st Bristol	2/2/2011
George T. Ross	2nd Bristol	2/3/2011
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden	2/3/2011
Sheila C. Harrington	1st Middlesex	2/3/2011
Paul K. Frost	7th Worcester	2/4/2011
George N. Peterson, Jr.	9th Worcester	1/26/2011
Elizabeth A. Poirier	14th Bristol	1/21/2011
Viriato Manuel deMacedo	1st Plymouth	2/1/2011

FILED ON: 1/20/2011

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2830) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others for legislation to establish a criminal penalty for possession of a handcuff key by certain persons held in custody. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1447 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to the protection of public safety officers.

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 268 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
- 2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 15A the following new section:-
- 3 Section 15B. Any prisoner or inmate of any penal or correctional facility in the
- 4 commonwealth, whether being held in custody for a court appearance, or committed to any penal
- 5 or correctional facility in the commonwealth under a lawful order of a court, who is found in
- 6 possession of a handcuff key shall be punished by imprisonment in a jail or house of correction
- 7 for a term of one year.