

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3152**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Thomas A. Golden, 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 definition of enticement.

PETITION OF:

| NAME:                        | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:     |
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| <i>Thomas A. Golden, Jr.</i> | <i>16th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>James J. Dwyer</i>        | <i>30th Middlesex</i> |
| <i>George T. Ross</i>        | <i>2nd Bristol</i>    |
| <i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>         |                       |

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By Mr. Golden of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3152) of Thomas A. Golden, Jr. and others relative to the penalties for enticing a child under the age of sixteen. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1409 OF 2009-2010.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**

An Act relative to the definition of enticement.

*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 26C of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended in subdivision (a) by striking in line two the word “lure” and  
3 inserting in place thereof the following:- groom, lure,

4 SECTION 2 Section 26C of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002  
5 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subdivision (b) the following subdivision:-

6 (c) Anyone who entices a child under 16, or a person believed to be under 16,  
7 electronically via telephone, cell phone, electronic mail, internet chat room or “instant  
8 messenger” with any comment, solicitation, request, suggestion, proposal, image, or other  
9 communication verbal or otherwise which is obscene, lewd, lascivious, filthy, or indecent, where  
10 sexual grooming, sexual abuse or sexual exploitation was intended, shall be punished by

- 11 imprisonment in the state prison for not more than 5 years, or in the house of correction for not
- 12 more than 2 1/2 years, or by a fine of not more than \$5,000, or by both imprisonment and fine.