

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3280**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Thomas J. Calter and Viriato Manuel deMacedo*

*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 statute of limitation for manslaughter.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/20/2011</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/26/2011</i>
<i>Viriato Manuel deMacedo</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>2/4/2011</i>
<i>Benjamin Swan</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>
<i>Daniel K. Webster</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>

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By Messrs. Calter of Kingston and deMacedo of Plymouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3280) of Thomas J. Calter and others relative to the statute of limitation for manslaughter. The Judiciary.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act relative to the statute of limitation for manslaughter.

*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 63 of chapter 277 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in place  
3 thereof the following 2 sentences:-

4           An indictment for murder, which is to include manslaughter and any lesser offense  
5 thereof, may be found at any time after the death of the person alleged to have been murdered.

6           An indictment for manslaughter, which is to include any lesser offense thereof, may be found at  
7 any time after the death of the person alleged to have been killed.