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SENATE . . . . . No. 1193

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Harriette L. Chandler

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 implementing a blue alert system in the Commonwealth.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Harriette L. Chandler	
James E. Timilty	
Bruce E. Tarr	
Sal N. DiDomenico	*Middlesex, Suffolk, and Essex*
James B. Eldridge	
Jennifer E. Benson	*37th Middlesex*
Carolyn C. Dykema	*8th Middlesex*
Anne M. Gobi	*5th Worcester*

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By Ms. Chandler, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1193) of Harriette L. Chandler, James E. Timilty, Bruce E. Tarr, Sal N. DiDomenico and other members of the General Court for legislation to implement a blue alert system in the Commonwealth. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to implementing a blue alert system in the Commonwealth.

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. Section 18¾ of chapter 6A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following clause:-

(10) to develop and implement a statewide blue alert system to be activated when law enforcement officials are searching for an individual who is wanted in the serious injury or killing of a police officer, state trooper, or other law enforcement official.

SECTION 2. Chapter 6A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 19A the following section:-

Section 19B. The executive office of public safety shall coordinate the implementation of a statewide blue alert system, pursuant to section 21 of chapter 22.

SECTION 3. Chapter 22 of The General Laws are hereby amended by adding the following section:-

12 Section 21.

13 THE STATEWIDE BLUE ALERT SYSTEM

14 Section 1. The following terms as used in this chapter shall, unless the context clearly
15 appears otherwise, have the following meanings:

16 “Executive office”, the executive office of public safety.

17 "Law enforcement agency", a law enforcement agency with jurisdiction over the
18 investigation of a crime resulting in the serious injury or death of a police officer, state trooper,
19 or other law enforcement official.