

**SENATE . . . . . No. 727**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Cynthia S. Creem*

*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 crime of assault and battery on a child.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Cynthia S. Creem*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

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By Ms. Creem, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 727) of Cynthia S. Creem for legislation relative to the crime of assault and battery on a child. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1672 OF 2009-2010.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act relative to the crime of assault and battery on a child.

*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 13J of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in  
2 the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended as follows:- to insert in line 6, after the word “any”  
3 and before the word, “injury,” the words “bruising or”, and to insert in line 7, after the word  
4 “skin,” the words “, any internal injury due to the presence of illegal substances,”

5                   SECTION 2. Said Section 13J of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as so  
6 appearing, is hereby further amended as follows:- to strike the word “five” in line 18 and replace  
7 the same with the word “ten”, and to strike the word “fifteen” in line 22, and to replace the same  
8 with the word “twenty.”