

**SENATE . . . . . No. 792**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Brian A. Joyce*

*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 requiring police notification to certain neighbors of level 2 sex offenders.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Brian A. Joyce*  
*Robert L. Hedlund*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth*

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By Mr. Joyce, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 792) of Brian A. Joyce and Robert L. Hedlund for legislation requiring police notification to certain neighbors of level 2 sex offenders. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1718 OF 2009-2010.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**

An Act requiring police notification to certain neighbors of level 2 sex offenders.

*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 178K of chapter 6 of the General Laws, as appearing in  
2 the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "Investigation.", in line  
3 124, the following 2 sentences:- The police department in the municipality where a level 2  
4 offender's primary residence, and secondary residence if any, is located shall provide notice to  
5 all immediate abutters of the following information: the name of the offender, his home address,  
6 work address, the offense(s) and date(s) for which the offender was convicted or adjudicated, the  
7 offender's age, sex, race, height, weight, eye and hair color and a photograph of the offender, if  
8 available. Such notice shall include a warning regarding the criminal penalties for use of sex  
9 offender registry information to commit a crime or to engage in illegal discrimination or  
10 harassment of an offender and the punishment for threatening to commit a crime under section 4  
11 of chapter 275.