

HOUSE No. 1266

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera

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 those who aid in the commission of a crime against a child.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>	

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By Ms. Coakley-Rivera of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1266) of Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera relative to the penalty for persons aiding in the commission of crimes against children. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2806 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to those who aid in the commission of a crime against 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 13B of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended as follows:

3 By deleting lines 1-4 of section 13B as so appearing up to the period in line 4 and
4 inserting in its place the following:-

5 “Whoever commits an indecent assault and battery on a child under the age of 14, or
6 whoever aids in the commission of such a crime, shall be punished by imprisonment in the state
7 prison for not more than 12 years, or by imprisonment in the house of correction for not more
8 than 5 years“

9 Section 2. Section 13H of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
10 Official Edition, is hereby amended as follows:

11 By amending line 2 of section 13H as so appearing by inserting after the word “fourteen”
12 the following:-

13 “,or whoever aids in the commission of such a crime,”;

14 And, by further deleting in line 3 the word “five” and inserting in place thereof the
15 following:-

16 “7”

17 And, by deleting in line 4 the words "two and one-half" and inserting in place thereof the
18 following:-

19 “5”

20 Section 3. Section 13J of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
21 Official Edition, is hereby amended as follows:

22 By amending lines 17, 21, 28 and 33 of section 13J as so appearing by inserting after the
23 word “injury” in each instance, the following:-

24 “, or whoever aids in the commission of such a crime,”;

25 And further, by deleting in lines 19, 23, 29 and 35 to 36 the words “two and one-half” in
26 each instance and inserting in place thereof in each instance the following:-

27 “5 ”;

28 And further, by deleting in lines 18 and 34 the word ”five” in each instance and inserting
29 in place thereof in each instance the following:-

30 “7”;

31 And further, by deleting in line 22 the word “fifteen” and inserting in place thereof the
32 following:-

33 “17”

34 Section 4. Section 13L of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
35 Official Edition, is hereby amended as follows:

36 By amending line 24 as so appearing by inserting after the word “act”, the following:-

37 “or whoever aids in the commission of such a risk or crime”

38 And, by further amending line 25 of said section as so appearing by deleting the number
39 “2 1/2” and inserting in place thereof the following number:-

40 “5”.