

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1291**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Stephen L. DiNatale*

*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 empowering the Sex Offender Board to reclassify repeat sex offenders.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Stephen L. DiNatale</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>	<i>1/14/2013</i>
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>7th Norfolk</i>	
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>	
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	

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By Mr. DiNatale of Fitchburg, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1291) of Stephen L. DiNatale and others relative to empowering the Sex Offender Board to reclassify repeat sex offenders. The Judiciary.

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act empowering the Sex Offender Board to reclassify repeat 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. Chapter 6 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is  
2 hereby amended by inserting after section 178D the following section:-

3 Section 178D1/2. A sex offender who is charged with, or convicted of, committing a  
4 subsequent offense which requires registration under sections 178C to 178P, inclusive, may be  
5 re-classified by the board to a higher level designation of sex-offender. Upon making such  
6 reclassification, the board shall update the sex offender registry.

7 SECTION 2. The sex offender registry board shall promulgate regulations implementing  
8 this act within 120 days of its effective date.