### **HOUSE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 2147**

### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

#### Ann-Margaret Ferrante

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 penalties for false distress calls.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Ann-Margaret Ferrante	5th Essex	
Thomas J. Calter	12th Plymouth	

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By Ms. Ferrante of Gloucester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2147) of Ann-Margaret Ferrante and Thomas J. Calter relative to the penalties for false distress calls. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

# [SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1555 OF 2011-2012.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

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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. The Secretary of the Executive Office of Public Safety and Homeland Security, in consultation with the Attorney General, shall promulgate regulations establishing a

3 penalty schedule for false marine distress calls. Said schedule shall include but not be limited to

4 reimbursements from individuals making false marine distress calls to responding state agencies.