

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James M. Cantwell

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 access of computer terminals by private detectives licensed by the Department of State Police as authorized under the provisions of the federal driver privacy protection act (DPPA), as amended, 18 U.S.C. section 2721, et seq..

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| James M. Cantwell | 4th Plymouth | |
| Michael D. Brady | 9th Plymouth | |

By Mr. Cantwell of Marshfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3033) of James M. Cantwell and Michael D. Brady relative to the access of registry computer terminals by private detectives licensed by the Department of State Police. Transportation.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to the access of computer terminals by private detectives licensed by the Department of State Police as authorized under the provisions of the federal driver privacy protection act (DPPA), as amended, 18 U.S.C. section 2721, et seq..

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. Section 30A of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
 amended

3 by inserting after the word policies, in line 9, the following words:

the trial courts and persons licensed by the Department of State Police pursuant to section
twenty-five of chapter one hundred and forty-seven and in compliance with Sections 4 and 8 of
the Federal Driver Privacy Protection Act (DPPA, 18 U.S.C. Section 2721, et seq.), to conduct
criminal investigations for the Committee for Public Counsel Services (CPCS)

8 Section 30A. the registrar shall not allow direct or indirect use of the computer terminals 9 under his control, whether for inquiry into computer data files or otherwise, except by persons 10 employed by the commonwealth or a political subdivision thereof, law enforcement agencies, the 11 special investigative unit of the plan created pursuant to section one hundred and thirteen H of 12 chapter one hundred and seventy-five only to the extent authorized therein, insurance companies 13 and their authorized agents and service carriers to the extent authorized in the safe driver 14 insurance plan and for the purposes of complying with the requirements of sections one A, thirty-15 four A, thirty-four B and thirty-four H pertaining to motor vehicle liability policies the trial courts and persons licensed by the Department of State Police pursuant to section twenty-five of 16 17 chapter one hundred and forty-seven and in compliance with Sections 4 and 8 of the Federal 18 Driver Privacy Protection Act (DPPA, 18 U.S.C. Section 2721, et seq.) to conduct criminal

- 19 investigations for the Committee for Public Counsel Services (CPCS) or computer manufacturers
- 20 or data processing consultants under contract with the commonwealth.