

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 3257

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

***Kevin J. Murphy***

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*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 providing for the secure storage of large numbers of firearms.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kevin J. Murphy</i>	<i>18th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/15/2013</i>

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By Mr. Murphy of Lowell, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3257) of Kevin J. Murphy for legislation to provide for the secure storage of firearms. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen  
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An Act providing for the secure storage of large numbers of firearms.

*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 131L of chapter 140 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out subsection (a) and inserting in place thereof  
3 the following subsection:-

4           (a) (1) It shall be unlawful to store or keep any firearm, rifle or shotgun including, but  
5 not limited to, large capacity weapons, or machine gun in any place unless such weapon is  
6 secured in a locked container or equipped with a tamper-resistant mechanical lock or other safety  
7 device, properly engaged so as to render such weapon inoperable by any person other than the  
8 owner or other lawfully authorized user. For purposes of this section, such weapon shall not be  
9 deemed stored or kept if carried by or under the control of the owner or other lawfully authorized  
10 user.

11           (2) It shall be unlawful to store more than 5 firearms, rifles, shotguns, machine guns, or  
12 any combination of such weapons unless such weapons are secured in a locked safe or vault. It  
13 shall be unlawful to store more than 10 firearms, rifles, shotguns, machine guns, or any  
14 combination