

HOUSE No. 3315

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

William C. Galvin

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 requiring microphones and audio-recorders on tasers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>William C. Galvin</i>	<i>6th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/17/2013</i>
<i>Brian A. Joyce</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i>	
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>	

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By Mr. Galvin of Canton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3315) of William C. Galvin, Brian A. Joyce and Louis L. Kafka relative to audio recording of taser use by municipal law enforcement officers. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act requiring microphones and audio-recorders on tasers.

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 140 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
2 section 131J the following section:-

3 131J1/2. In a municipality that accepts this section, any portable device or weapon
4 described in section 131J that is possessed by a municipal law enforcement officer for the
5 purpose of his or her official duties shall be capable of recording and amplifying sound;
6 provided, however, that an officer may possess a portable device or weapon that is incapable of
7 recording and amplifying sound if the portable device or weapon was purchased by the
8 municipality before this section is accepted.