## **SENATE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 1168**

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Richard J. Ross

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 sex offender classification.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:Richard J. RossNorfolk, Bristol and Middlesex

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By Mr. Ross, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1168) of Richard J. Ross for legislation relative to sex offender classification. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

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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. Section 178E of chapter 6 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (q) the following subsection:-

Subsection (r). The sex offender registry board shall prioritize the registration process of sex offenders convicted of 1 or more offenses that have been designated a sexually violent offense or sex offenses against a child, in accordance with the Jacob Wetterling Crimes Against Children and Sexually Violent Offender Registration Act, 42 U.S.C. section 14071, requiring by operation of law a minimum Level 1 life time registration for those convicted as adults and 20 year registration for those adjudicated as juveniles.