

**SENATE . . . . . No. 787**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

***Richard J. Ross, (BY REQUEST)***

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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 relative to divorce.**

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Robert LeClair*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*369 Franklin Street Wrentham, MA 02093*

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By Mr. Ross (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 787) of Robert LeClair for legislation to prohibit certain activities within the home until a divorce is final and financial and custody issues are resolved. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 851 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act relative to divorce.

*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 31 of chapter 208 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

3 In divorce, separation, or 209A proceedings involving children and a marital home, the  
4 party remaining in the home shall not conduct a dating or sexual relationship within the home  
5 until a divorce is final and all financial and custody issues are resolved, unless the express  
6 permission is granted by the courts.