SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 juvenile parole retroactivity.

PETITION OF:

NAME: DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Bruce E. Tarr First Essex and Middlesex

No. **SENATE**

By Mr. Tarr, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation relative to juvenile parole retroactivity. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Fourteen

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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:

1 SECTION 1. Section 24 of chapter 279 of the general laws, as so appearing, is hereby 2 amended by adding the following paragraph:

In the case of a sentence to life imprisonment for murder in the first degree committed by a person on or after the person's fourteenth birthday and before the person's eighteenth birthday,

the court shall fix a minimum term of 35 years, regardless of when the murder was committed