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HOUSE . . . . . No. 1174

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Nicholas A. Boldyga

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 Child Welfare.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Nicholas A. Boldyga	*3rd Hampden*
Brian M. Ashe	*2nd Hampden*
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	*20th Middlesex*
Kevin J. Kuros	*8th Worcester*
Todd M. Smola	*1st Hampden*
Timothy R. Whelan	*1st Barnstable*

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By Mr. Boldyga of Southwick, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1174) of Nicholas A. Boldyga and others for legislation to increase the penalties for assault and battery upon a child. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)

An Act Relative to Child Welfare.

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: Paragraph 8 of Section 13J of Chapter 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended to strike out the words "shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than two and one-half years in the house of correction." And insert "shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than ten years or by imprisonment in the house of correction for not more than two and one-half years or by a fine of not more than ten thousand dollars or by both such fine and imprisonment."

SECTION 2: Paragraph 9 of Section 13J of Chapter 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended to strike out the words "shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than two and one-half years in the house of correction." And insert "shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than ten years or by imprisonment in the house of correction for not more than two and one-half years or by a fine of not more than ten thousand dollars or by both such fine and imprisonment."