

HOUSE No. 1253

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Josh S. Cutler

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 police pursuits.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>
<i>Jonathan D. Zlotnik</i>	<i>2nd Worcester</i>
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>7th Norfolk</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>Joseph W. McGonagle, Jr.</i>	<i>28th Middlesex</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Paul Tucker</i>	<i>7th Essex</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>

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By Mr. Cutler of Duxbury, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1253) of Josh S. Cutler and others relative to the penalty for failure to stop operating a motor vehicle when being pursued by a police officer. The Judiciary.

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

An Act relative to police pursuits.

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 25 of Chapter 90 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2006
2 Official Edition by adding to the end of said section 25 the following:-

3 Any person who, while operating or in charge of a motor vehicle, when being pursued by
4 a police officer in an official police vehicle displaying lights and siren, shall refuse or neglect to
5 stop, shall be punished by imprisonment in the house of correction for not more than 2 1/2 years,
6 or by a fine of not less than one thousand dollars nor more than ten thousand dollars, or by both
7 such fine and imprisonment.