HOUSE No. 1327

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Colleen M. Garry

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 annoying telephone calls.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:DATE ADDED:Colleen M. Garry36th Middlesex1/13/2015

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By Miss Garry of Dracut, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1327) of Colleen M. Garry relative to the penalty for persons making annoying and abusive telephone calls. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1347 OF 2013-2014.]

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

An Act relative to annoying telephone calls.

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. Chapter 269A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
- 2 section 14A the following section:-
- 3 Section 14B. Whoever allows his telephone to be used by another to telephone a person
- 4 or his family, repeatedly, for the sole purpose of harassing, annoying or molesting that other
- 5 person or his family or for the purpose of repeatedly using indecent or obscene language to that
- 6 person or his family, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500 or by imprisonment for
- 7 not more than 3 months, or both.