

HOUSE No. 1457

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David Paul Linsky

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 the parental rights of survivors.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/13/2015</i>

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By Mr. Linsky of Natick, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1457) of David Paul Linsky relative to the forfeiture of parental rights for persons convicted of rape or abuse of their child. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1475 OF 2013-2014.]

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

An Act relative to the parental rights of survivors.

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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, a person
2 convicted of a violation of section 22, 22A, 22B, 22C, 23, 23A, or 23B of Chapter 265 of the
3 General Laws and who is the biological parent of a child that is the product of said crime, shall
4 have no parental rights with respect to said child.