HOUSE No. 1462

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jay D. Livingstone

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 providing protection from subsequent restraining order violations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Jay D. Livingstone	8th Suffolk	1/15/2015

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By Mr. Livingstone of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1462) of Jay D. Livingstone relative to the penalty for subsequent restraining order violations. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1302 OF 2013-2014.]

The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts

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

An Act providing protection from subsequent restraining order violations.

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. Section 7 of chapter 209A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008
- 2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at line 45, after the first sentence in the fifth
- 3 paragraph, the following:-
- Whoever violates such order or a protection order issued by another jurisdiction after
- 5 having previously been convicted of violating an order issued pursuant to chapter 209A or a
- 6 protection order issued by another jurisdiction, or after having previously been convicted
- 7 pursuant to section 13A(b)(iii) or section 43(b) of chapter 265, shall be punished by
- 8 imprisonment in the state prison for not more than five years or imprisonment in the house of
- 9 correction for not more than two and one-half years.