

HOUSE No. 1508

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James M. Murphy

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 regarding threats to public defenders and other court personnel.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>James M. Murphy</i> | <i>4th Norfolk</i> | <i>1/15/2015</i> |

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By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1508) of James M. Murphy relative to threats to public defenders and other court personnel. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act regarding threats to public defenders and other court personnel.

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. Chapter 269 section 14 of the General Laws, §(b), is hereby amended by
2 adding the following section:

3 (3) to a public employee, public defender, probation officer or any member of the court
4 system, shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than two years or by a
5 fine of not more than two thousand dollars and imprisonment in jail for not more than one year.