HOUSE No. 1509

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 relative to evidence.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:DATE ADDED:James M. Murphy4th Norfolk1/16/2015

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By Mr. Murphy of Weymouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1509) of James M. Murphy relative to searches without a warrant with the belief that documentary evidence will be destroyed, secreted or lost. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to evidence.

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 of Chapter 276 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by
- 2 inserting after the phrase "does not issue" the following: "or unless a judge determines that no
- 3 testimonial privilege applies and the evidence is necessary to a criminal investigation."