

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 253**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Elizabeth A. Poirier*

*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 sale of children’s jewelry.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>1/15/2015</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>1/22/2015</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/4/2015</i>

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By Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 253) of Elizabeth A. Poirier, Kimberly N. Ferguson and Chris Walsh relative to the sale of children’s jewelry. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)**  
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An Act relative to the sale of children’s jewelry.

*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 94B of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
2 section 9, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, the following section:-

3 Section 9A. (a) For purposes of this section, the following words shall, unless the context  
4 clearly requires otherwise, have the following meanings:-

5 “ASTM F 2923-14”, ASTM International’s Standard Specification for Consumer Product  
6 Safety for Children’s Jewelry in effect on October 1, 2014.

7 “Children’s jewelry”, jewelry designed or intended primarily for use by children 12 years  
8 of age or younger to be worn as an item of personal ornamentation, not including: (i) toys or  
9 other products intended for use when a child plays; (ii) accessories; (iii) apparel; (iv) footwear;  
10 or (v) any other product whose purpose is primarily functional and not ornamental.

11 (b) All children's jewelry sold in the commonwealth shall meet the requirements of

12 ASTM F 2923-14

13 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect 180 days after its passage.