

HOUSE No. 4314

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 19, 2016.

The committee on the Judiciary to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1380) of Russell E. Holmes and others relative to increasing the penalties for discharging firearms into a residential dwelling, daycare facility or school building and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1497) of Rady Mom and others relative to the penalties for using a weapon with intent to strike a dwelling house, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4314) ought to pass.

For the committee,

JOHN V. FERNANDES.

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

An Act to prohibit gunfire directed at dwelling houses.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 269 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after
2 section 12F the following section:--

3 Section 12G: Whoever discharges an assault weapon, firearm, large capacity weapon,
4 machine gun, rifle, sawed-off shotgun, or shotgun, as defined in section one hundred twenty-one
5 of chapter one hundred forty, with the intent to strike a dwelling, and as a result does strike a
6 dwelling, shall be punished by imprisonment in the house of correction for not more than 2 ½
7 years, or in state prison for not more than 5 years, or by a fine of not more than \$10,000, or both
8 such imprisonment and fine.