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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Antonio F. D. Cabral

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 to create the offense of leaving the scene after causing serious bodily injury.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Antonio F. D. Cabral	*13th Bristol*	*1/20/2017*

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By Mr. Cabral of New Bedford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3031) of Antonio F. D. Cabral relative to leaving the scene of a traffic accident after causing serious bodily injury. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)

An Act to create the offense of leaving the scene after causing serious bodily injury.

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

Subsection (2)(a1/2)(1) of section 24 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following sentences:-

"Whoever operates a motor vehicle upon any way or in any place to which the public has a right of access, or upon any way or in any place to which members of the public shall have access as invitees or licensees, and without stopping and making known his or her name, residence and the registration number of his motor vehicle, goes away after knowingly colliding with or otherwise causing injury to another person resulting in the serious bodily injury of that person, shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than 5 years, or by imprisonment for not less than 6 months nor more than 2 and 1/2 years in a jail or house of correction and by a fine of not less than $500 nor more than $1,000. For the purpose of this section the term 'serious bodily injury' shall have the same meaning as in section 24L(3) of chapter 90 of the General Laws.".