

HOUSE No. 3904

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Chris Walsh

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 amend Section 3, Chapter 258e of the General Laws relative to Filing of complaint; impounding of case record information; filing fee; expiration of order; modification of order; time for filing; nonexclusivity of remedy for Harrassment Prevention Orders.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>	<i>8/30/2017</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>	
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>	

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By Mr. Walsh of Framingham, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Chris Walsh, David F. DeCoste and David Paul Linsky relative to harassment prevention orders. The Judiciary.

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

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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. Section 3 of Chapter 258e of the General Laws, is hereby amended by
2 inserting the following language at the end of the section:

3 (h) Upon a successful motion to vacate the harassment prevention order made by a
4 plaintiff in the case, the defendant’s record shall be expunged and no evidence of the harassment
5 prevention order shall remain on the defendant’s record.