

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1317**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Donald F. Humason, Jr.***

*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 suppressors.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i>	<i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i>	
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>

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By Mr. Humason, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1317) of Donald F. Humason, Jr., Joseph D. McKenna and Sheila C. Harrington for legislation relative to suppressors. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1271 OF 2015-2016.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to suppressors.

*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 10A of Chapter 269 of the Massachusetts General Laws is hereby amended by  
2 deleting the section in its entirety and inserting in its place the following:

3           Section 10A.

4           Any person found to be in possession of a firearm suppressor who is:

- 5           (a) a prohibited person under section 131 of chapter 140;
- 6           (b) in the commission of a violent crime or felony;
- 7           (c) in the commission of a crime of violence against a family member;

8 (d) conducting sales or has possession of controlled substances as defined in chapter  
9 94C;

10 shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than ten years in state prison or for not  
11 more than two and one-half years in a jail or house of correction.

12 For the purposes of this section the term “firearm suppressor” shall have the same  
13 meaning as Federal law 18 USC 921(24): The terms “firearm suppressor” mean any device for  
14 silencing, muffling, or diminishing the report of a portable firearm, including any combination of  
15 parts, designed or redesigned, and intended for use in assembling or fabricating a firearm silencer  
16 or firearm muffler, and any part intended only for use in such assembly or fabrication.