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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Maria Duaime Robinson

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 repeal or reform of certain unenforceable or unconstitutional archaic laws.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Maria Duaime Robinson	*6th Middlesex*	*1/16/2019*
Jack Patrick Lewis	*7th Middlesex*	*1/16/2019*
Tami L. Gouveia	*14th Middlesex*	*1/16/2019*
Rebecca L. Rausch	*Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex*	*1/21/2019*
Joanne M. Comerford	*Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester*	*1/30/2019*
Mindy Domb	*3rd Hampshire*	*1/30/2019*
Michelle M. DuBois	*10th Plymouth*	*2/1/2019*
Nika C. Elugardo	*15th Suffolk*	*1/31/2019*
Russell E. Holmes	*6th Suffolk*	*2/1/2019*
Mary S. Keefe	*15th Worcester*	*1/31/2019*
Bud L. Williams	*11th Hampden*	*2/1/2019*

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By Ms. Robinson of Framingham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1532) of Maria Duaime Robinson and others relative to the repeal or reform of certain unenforceable or unconstitutional archaic laws. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)

An Act relative to the repeal or reform of certain unenforceable or unconstitutional archaic laws.

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

SECTION 1. Section 30 of Chapter 71 of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. Section 31 of Chapter 71 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking the first sentence.

SECTION 3. Section 15 of Chapter 233 is hereby amended by striking the wording in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the following: In all cases in which an oath or affirmation of truthfulness is required by law, the oath or affirmation shall make no religious reference and the person administrating the oath or affirmation shall require only that the person taking the oath or affirmation hold up his or her hand and affirm that the testimony or declaration is truthful and, when appropriate, made under the penalties of perjury.

SECTION 4. Sections 16 through 19 of Chapter 233 of the General Laws are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. Section 16A of Chapter 264 of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. Section 22 of Chapter 264 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking the words: “by the Communist Party or”.

SECTION 7. Section 14 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

SECTION 8. Section 18 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

SECTION 9. Section 26 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

SECTION 10. Section 29 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

SECTION 11. Section 34 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking the words: “, either with mankind or”.

SECTION 12. Section 35 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

SECTION 13. Section 36 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws is hereby repealed.

SECTION 14. Sections 63 through 69 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws are hereby repealed.