

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2046**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Marjorie C. Decker*

*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 reckless discharge of firearms.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/14/2019</i>
<i>Edward J. Kennedy</i>	<i>First Middlesex</i>	<i>1/25/2019</i>
<i>Rady Mom</i>	<i>18th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Tommy Vitolo</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>

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By Ms. Decker of Cambridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2046) of Marjorie C. Decker and others relative to the reckless discharge of firearms. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)  
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An Act relative to the reckless discharge of firearms.

*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. Chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended by adding the following new section:

3 Section 15G. Whoever without regard for the risk of serious bodily injury to another  
4 intentionally or recklessly discharges a firearm, large capacity weapon, rifle, shotgun, sawed-off  
5 shotgun, or machine gun and thereby causes a substantial risk of serious bodily injury to another  
6 shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than 5 years or by  
7 imprisonment in the house of correction for not more than 2 ½ years.