

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David Paul Linsky

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 require liability insurance for gun ownership.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
David Paul Linsky	5th Middlesex	1/15/2019
Carmine Lawrence Gentile	13th Middlesex	1/22/2019
Ruth B. Balser	12th Middlesex	1/25/2019
Michael J. Barrett	Third Middlesex	1/29/2019
Michelle L. Ciccolo	15th Middlesex	1/30/2019
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester	1/29/2019
Dylan A. Fernandes	Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket	1/24/2019
Denise C. Garlick	13th Norfolk	1/31/2019
Kenneth I. Gordon	21st Middlesex	1/31/2019
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex	2/1/2019
Jack Patrick Lewis	7th Middlesex	1/29/2019
Alice Hanlon Peisch	14th Norfolk	1/31/2019

By Mr. Linsky of Natick, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2093) of David Paul Linsky and others for legislation to require liability insurance by gun owners. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 2495 OF 2017-2018.]

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

An Act to require liability insurance for gun ownership.

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 140 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the

2 following section:-

Section 207. (a) Whoever possess, carries, or owns a firearm, rifle or shotgun without a liability policy or bond or deposit required by the provisions of this chapter which has not been provided and maintained in accordance therewith shall be punished by a fine of not less than five hundred nor more than five thousand dollars or by imprisonment for not more than one year in a house of correction, or both such fine and imprisonment. This section shall not apply to a person who possesses a firearm, rifle, or shotgun on a temporary basis while on the premises of a licensed gun club.

- 10 (b) The commissioner of insurance shall promulgate regulations set forth for the
- 11 minimum terms of liability insurance policies which shall satisfy the requirements of this section.