

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 3417**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Shaunna L. O'Connell***

*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 verification of sex offender registration.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>	<i>1/9/2019</i>
<i>Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/24/2019</i>
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>

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By Mrs. O'Connell of Taunton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3417) of Shaunna L. O'Connell and others relative to verification of sex offender registration. The Judiciary.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act relative to verification of sex offender registration.

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

1           The first paragraph of subsection (a) of section 178H of chapter 6 of the General Laws, as  
2 appearing in the 2016 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:-

3           Prosecutions commenced pursuant to this section shall neither be continued without a  
4 finding nor dismissed unless the sex offender registry board or police department produces  
5 verified documentation that the sex offender has registered.