

SENATE No. 1038

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Dean A. Tran

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 impersonation of a public safety officer.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | |
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| <i>Dean A. Tran</i> | <i>Worcester and Middlesex</i> | |
| <i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i> | <i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i> | <i>1/31/2019</i> |
| <i>Bradford Hill</i> | <i>4th Essex</i> | <i>4/30/2019</i> |
| <i>Joan B. Lovely</i> | <i>Second Essex</i> | <i>4/30/2019</i> |

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By Mr. Tran, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1038) of Dean A. Tran and Donald F. Humason, Jr. for legislation relative to impersonating a public officer. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 937 OF 2017-2018.]

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

An Act relative to the impersonation of a public safety officer.

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 268 of the general laws is hereby amended by striking out section
2 33, as so appearing in the 2016 Official Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following
3 section: -

4 Section 33. Whoever falsely assumes or pretends to be a justice of the peace, notary
5 public, sheriff, deputy sheriff, medical examiner, associate medical examiner, constable, police
6 officer, fire fighter, EMS first responder, probation officer, or examiner, investigator or other
7 officer appointed by the registrar of motor vehicles, or inspector, investigator or examiner of the
8 department of public utilities or the department of telecommunications and cable, or investigator
9 or other officer of the alcoholic beverages control commission, or investigator or other official of
10 the bureau of special investigations, or examiner, or investigator or other of the department of

11 revenue, and acts as such, requires a person to aid or assist them in a matter pertaining to the
12 duty of such officer, or knowingly and intentionally obtains money, property or another tangible
13 benefit through such fraudulent representation, shall be punished by a fine of not more than four
14 hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than one year.