

SENATE No. 1372

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

William N. Brownsberger

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 inmate telephone calls.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | |
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| <i>William N. Brownsberger</i> | <i>Second Suffolk and Middlesex</i> | |
| <i>Mark C. Montigny</i> | <i>Second Bristol and Plymouth</i> | <i>1/16/2019</i> |
| <i>Denise Provost</i> | <i>27th Middlesex</i> | <i>1/29/2019</i> |
| <i>Cynthia Stone Creem</i> | <i>First Middlesex and Norfolk</i> | <i>1/31/2019</i> |
| <i>Daniel J. Hunt</i> | <i>13th Suffolk</i> | <i>1/31/2019</i> |
| <i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i> | <i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i> | <i>1/31/2019</i> |
| <i>Mary S. Keefe</i> | <i>15th Worcester</i> | <i>2/1/2019</i> |
| <i>Antonio F. D. Cabral</i> | <i>13th Bristol</i> | <i>2/1/2019</i> |
| <i>Patricia D. Jehlen</i> | <i>Second Middlesex</i> | <i>2/1/2019</i> |
| <i>Mike Connolly</i> | <i>26th Middlesex</i> | <i>2/1/2019</i> |
| <i>Joseph A. Boncore</i> | <i>First Suffolk and Middlesex</i> | <i>2/1/2019</i> |
| <i>Thomas M. Stanley</i> | <i>9th Middlesex</i> | <i>2/1/2019</i> |
| <i>Julian Cyr</i> | <i>Cape and Islands</i> | <i>2/1/2019</i> |
| <i>David M. Rogers</i> | <i>24th Middlesex</i> | <i>2/1/2019</i> |
| <i>Harriette L. Chandler</i> | <i>First Worcester</i> | <i>2/4/2019</i> |
| <i>Tami L. Gouveia</i> | <i>14th Middlesex</i> | <i>2/4/2019</i> |
| <i>Nika C. Elugardo</i> | <i>15th Suffolk</i> | <i>2/4/2019</i> |
| <i>James B. Eldridge</i> | <i>Middlesex and Worcester</i> | <i>2/19/2019</i> |

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By Mr. Brownsberger, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1372) of William N. Brownsberger, Mark C. Montigny, Denise Provost, Cynthia Stone Creem and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to inmate telephone calls. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

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

An Act relative to inmate telephone calls.

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 127 of the Massachusetts General Laws of 2016 is hereby
2 amended by adding the following new section:--

3 Section 87A. Telephone services shall be provided to prisoners in department of
4 correction facilities and county houses of correction at no cost to the prisoners or the receiving
5 parties.