

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1609**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Mark C. Montigny***

*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 call rates.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Mark C. Montigny</i>	<i>Second Bristol and Plymouth</i>	
<i>Christopher Hendricks</i>	<i>11th Bristol</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Antonio F. D. Cabral</i>	<i>13th Bristol</i>	<i>5/20/2021</i>

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By Mr. Montigny, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1609) of Mark C. Montigny and Christopher Hendricks for legislation relative to inmate telephone calls. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 1430 OF 2019-2020.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act relative to inmate telephone call rates.

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

1 Chapter 127 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 87 the  
2 following section:-

3 Section 87A. Subject to appropriation, every inmate of a correctional institution or any  
4 other penal institution in the commonwealth shall be provided the ability to make domestic  
5 telephone calls at no cost to the inmate or the receiving party.