## **SENATE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 1086**

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

#### Patrick M. O'Connor

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 juvenile offenders.

PETITION OF:

NAME:DISTRICT/ADDRESS:Patrick M. O'ConnorFirst Plymouth and Norfolk

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By Mr. O'Connor, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1086) of Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation relative to juvenile offenders. The Judiciary.

# [SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 1115 OF 2021-2022.]

### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court (2023-2024)

An Act relative to juvenile offenders.

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

- SECTION 1. Section 52 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as amended by chapter 69
- of the Acts of 2018, is hereby amended by striking out the definition of "Delinquent child" and
- 3 inserting in place thereof the following definition:-
- 4 "Delinquent child", a child between 10 and 18 years of age who commits any offense
- 5 against a law of the commonwealth; provided, however, that such offense shall not include a
- 6 civil infraction, a violation of any municipal ordinance or town by-law or a first offense of a
- 7 misdemeanor for which the punishment is a fine, imprisonment in a jail or house of correction
- 8 for not more than 6 months or both such fine and imprisonment.

- 9 SECTION 2. Section 54 of said chapter 119, as amended by chapter 69 of the Acts of
- 2018, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 2, the figure "12" and inserting in place thereof
- 11 the following figure:- 10.
- SECTION 3. This act shall go into effect immediately upon its passage.