

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 restitution.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/14/2025</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>1/14/2025</i>

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**

An Act relative to juvenile restitution.

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 119 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by inserting after section 62 the following section:-

3 Section 62A. The court shall make all reasonable efforts to ensure that restitution is made
4 to the victim of a juvenile offender. The court shall order that the juvenile be required to repair,
5 replace or otherwise make restitution for damage or loss caused by his wrongful act and may
6 impose fines in limited amounts. Restitution shall be made a condition of release, placement, or
7 parole by the juvenile court. In cases where the court determines it is appropriate, the court may
8 order the juvenile to make restitution directly to the court in the form of financial payments,
9 which shall then be turned over to the victim of the offense. The court may issue such orders as
10 are necessary for the collection of restitution, including garnishments, wage withholdings, and
11 executions.