

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Colleen M. Garry

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 manslaughter by protest.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/12/2025</i>

HOUSE No.

By Representative Garry of Dracut, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Colleen M. Garry relative to manslaughter caused by reckless disregard of life while protesting or blocking highways or roadway access. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1513 OF 2023-2024.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)

An Act relative to manslaughter by protest.

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 265 of the General Laws shall be amended in section 13 by adding after the word
2 “manslaughter” in the first sentence, the following language:-

3 “or manslaughter caused by reckless disregard of life while protesting or blocking
4 highway or roadway access”