

HOUSE No. 4412

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Angelo J. Puppolo, 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 witness intimidation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>	<i>7/10/2025</i>

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By Representative Puppolo of Springfield, a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr., relative to witness intimidation. The Judiciary.

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

An Act relative to witness intimidation.

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

1 Subsection (b) of section 13B of chapter 268 of the General Laws, as appearing in the
2 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:- If the misconduct
3 was committed while the person was armed, such person shall be punished by imprisonment in
4 the state prison for not more than 20 years or by imprisonment in the house of correction for not
5 more than 2½ years or by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or by both such fine and
6 imprisonment.