

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Justin Thurber and Alan Silvia

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 related to minimum sentencing for persons convicted of rape.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Justin Thurber</i>	<i>5th Bristol</i>	<i>7/1/2026</i>

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

An Act related to minimum sentencing for persons convicted of rape.

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 22 of Chapter 265, as appearing in the 2024 Official Edition, is hereby amended
- 2 in the first paragraph by inserting after the word “years” the following:-
- 3 “, provided that the term must be a minimum of two years.”