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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Donald F. Humason, 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 the use of crossbows.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Donald F. Humason, Jr.	*4th Hampden*
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	*20th Middlesex*
Shaunna O'Connell	*3rd Bristol*
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	*12th Hampden*
Cleon H. Turner	*1st Barnstable*
Elizabeth A. Poirier	*14th Bristol*
Bradford Hill	*4th Essex*
Matthew A. Beaton	*11th Worcester*
George T. Ross	*2nd Bristol*
Viriato Manuel deMacedo	*1st Plymouth*
Demetrius J. Atsalis	*2nd Barnstable*
Bruce E. Tarr	
Randy Hunt	*5th Barnstable*
George N. Peterson, Jr.	*9th Worcester*
Todd M. Smola	*1st Hampden*
Marc T. Lombardo	*22nd Middlesex*
Anne M. Gobi	*5th Worcester*
Christine E. Canavan	*10th Plymouth*

F. Jay Barrows	*1st Bristol*
Michael R. Knapik	

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By Mr. Humason of Westfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1135) of Donald F. Humason, Jr. and others relative to the use of crossbows for hunting. Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to the use of crossbows.

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

An Act Relative to the Use of Crossbows

SECTION 1. Section 64 of Chapter 131 is hereby amended by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it with the following:-

Chapter 131, Section 64. A person shall not use for hunting purposes any type of full automatic firearm, machine gun or submachine gun, nor use any tracer or incendiary ammunition for hunting or outdoor target shooting purposes except on a skeet, trap, or target range.

SECTION 2. Section 64 of Chapter 131 is hereby amended by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it with the following:-

Chapter 131, Section 69. A person shall not carry or use a bow and arrow or crossbow while hunting unless said bow and arrow or crossbow meet such requirements as may be set by rules and regulations which the director is hereby authorized to promulgate. Such rules and

12 regulations shall prescribe general design, weight of pull, and type of bows and arrows or

13 crossbows, and shall conform to standards generally accepted for hunting purposes.