## **HOUSE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 2829**

### 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 improving the protection of children.

#### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex
Donald F. Humason, Jr.	4th Hampden
Sheila C. Harrington	1st Middlesex
Angelo L. D'Emilia	8th Plymouth
Geoff Diehl	7th Plymouth
F. Jay Barrows	1st Bristol
Susan Williams Gifford	2nd Plymouth
Donald H. Wong	9th Essex
Todd M. Smola	1st Hampden
Kevin J. Kuros	8th Worcester
Kimberly N. Ferguson	1st Worcester
Matthew A. Beaton	11th Worcester
Steven L. Levy	4th Middlesex
Paul K. Frost	7th Worcester
George N. Peterson, Jr.	9th Worcester
Elizabeth A. Poirier	14th Bristol
Viriato Manuel deMacedo	1st Plymouth

FILED ON: 1/20/2011

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2829) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others for legislation to exclude parental consent requirements for persons who have been convicted of murdering the other parent. The Judiciary.

# [SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1445 OF 2009-2010.]

#### The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act relative to improving the protection of children.

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

- SECTION 1. The third paragraph of subdivision (4) of Section 26 of chapter 119 of the
- 2 General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby further amended by striking
- 3 out clause (ii) and inserting in place thereof, the following:-
- 4 (ii) the parent has been convicted by a court of competent jurisdiction of the murder or
- 5 voluntary manslaughter of another child of such parent or of the child's other parent, of aiding,
- 6 abetting, attempting, conspiring or soliciting to commit such murder or voluntary manslaughter
- 7 or of an assault constituting a felony which resulted in serious bodily injury to the child, to
- 8 another child of such parent or to the child's other parent.