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SENATE . . . . . No. 646

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Katherine M. Clark

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 providing further protection for grand jurors.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Katherine M. Clark	*Fifth Middlesex*
Thomas M. Stanley	*9th Middlesex*
Kay Khan	*11th Middlesex*
Colleen M. Garry	*36th Middlesex*
Middlesex District Attorney Gerry Leone	*15 Commonwealth Avenue*

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By Ms. Clark, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 646) of Katherine M. Clark, Thomas M. Stanley, Kay Khan, Colleen M. Garry and other members of the General Court for legislation to provide further protection for grand jurors. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. *685* OF 2011-2012.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act providing further protection for grand jurors.

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. Clause (8) of section 4 of chapter 234A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the words "grand or" from the first sentence.

SECTION 2. Section 4 of chapter 234A, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by adding the following clause:-

9. Such person has served as a grand juror in any state or federal court within the previous six calendar years or the person is currently scheduled to perform such service. Any person claiming this disqualification must submit a letter or certificate from the appropriate clerk of court or jury commissioner verifying such prior or pending juror service unless such service was performed or is pending in a court of the commonwealth.

SECTION 3. Section 62 of chapter 234A, as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting, after the eleventh sentence, the following sentence:- These materials shall include an explanation of employer civil and criminal liability under sections 60 and 61 of this chapter.