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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Demetrius J. Atsalis**

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*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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to the compensation of victims of violent crimes.

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PETITION OF:

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to the compensation of victims of violent crimes.

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

    Subsection (a) of section 3 of chapter 258A of the General Laws, as

appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the second

sentence and inserting in place thereof the following:— In the case of rape victims, such

services shall include emergency funds for housing.