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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**William Lantigua**

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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 punishment for the defacement of property.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| William Lantigua | 16th Essex |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1557 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to punishment for the defacement of property.

*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. Section 126A of chapter 266 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the word “three” in line 6 and inserting in place thereof the figure:– 10

SECTION 2. Section 126B of said chapter 266 as so appearing, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “imprisonment” in line 9 of the following:– in a state prison for a term of not more than 10 years or