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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**James J. O'Day**

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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 protecting public employees.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| James J. O'Day | 14th Worcester District |

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act protecting public employees.

*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. Chapter 265, Section 13D is amended striking the section in its entirety and replacing it with the following: “Whoever commits an assault and battery upon any public employee when such person is engaged in the performance of his duties at the time of such assault and battery, shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one year nor more than 10 years in a house of correction or by a fine of not less than ten thousand nor more than twenty five thousand dollars.”