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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Todd M. Smola**

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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 Increasing the Penalty for Assault and Battery on a Police Officer.

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PETITION OF:

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act Increasing the Penalty for Assault and Battery on a Police Officer.

 *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 13D of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out in lines 4, 5 and 6 the words “for not less than ninety days nor more than two and one-half years in a house of correction or by a fine of not less than five hundred nor more than five thousand dollars” and inserting in their place the following words:-

in the state prison for not more than 5 years or by a fine of not more than $5000, or by both such fine and imprisonment