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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Steven M. Walsh**

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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 clarifying the technical definition of a dangerous weapon in a school zone.

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PETITION OF:

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act clarifying the technical definition of a dangerous weapon in a school zone.

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

Section 10 of Chapter 269 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby amended in subsection (j) by inserting following the words “by whatever means,” the words:- “and ‘dangerous weapon’ shall mean any other instrument reasonably believed to cause bodily harm.”