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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Mr. Brewer**

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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 authorizing the warrantless arrest for reckless or negligent vehicular homicide and reckless or negligent operation.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Mr. Brewer | Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. S00810 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act authorizing the warrantless arrest for reckless or negligent vehicular homicide and reckless or negligent operation.

*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. This act may be cited as the Robert L. Martinelli Act.

SECTION 2. Section 21 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002

Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word "person", in line 34, the

following words:- , or whoever operates a motor vehicle recklessly or negligently so that

the lives or safety of the public might be endangered in violation of paragraph (a) of

subdivision (2) of section 24, or whoever commits motor vehicle homicide in violation of

subsection (a) or (b) of section 24G."