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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Steven A. Baddour (BY REQUEST)**

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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 sentencing.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| James Thivierage | PO BOX 422 Amesbury, MA |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. S00790 OF 2007-2008.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act relative to sentencing.

*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.  To amend appropriate Massachusetts General Law to allow the judges the latitude to sentence certain citizens convicted of crimes, limited to chronic repeat offenders only, where the punishment applies (e.g white collar, applicable crimes and misdemeanors) with time in the military anywhere from the two to thirty years specifically the Army and Marine infantry and, if not applicable, the state national guard in lieu of community service and institutionalization in state correction facilities.