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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**Walsh, Marian (SEN)**

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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 to further strengthen the mandatory reporting law.

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PETITION OF:

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| Name: | District/Address: |
| Walsh, Marian (SEN) | Suffolk and Norfolk |

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. S01046 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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An Act to further strengthen the mandatory reporting law.

*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 51A of Chapter 119 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 46, the words “one thousand dollars” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- “ten thousand dollars or by imprisonment in the house of correction by not more than 6 months, or both.”

SECTION 2. Section 51A of Chapter 119 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 48, the words “one thousand dollars” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- “ten thousand dollars.”

SECTION 3. Section 51A of Chapter 119 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 67, the words “one thousand dollars” and inserting in place thereof the following words:- “ten thousand dollars or by imprisonment in the house of correction by not more than 6 months, or both.”