

**HOUSE . . . . . No.**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Willie Mae Allen**

*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 False Criminal Complaints.**

- 1 Chapter 218 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 38 the following
- 2 section:—
- 3 Section 38A. Any person found to have deliberately brought a false charge in seeking a criminal
- 4 complaint shall make restitution to the person accused for any costs, lost wages and attorneys’
- 5 fees and may be punished by a fine of one hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than
- 6 six months, or both.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Willie Mae Allen	6th Suffolk
Carlo P. Basile	1st Suffolk
Cleon H. Turner	1st Barnstable

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
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