

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Jennifer M. Callahan**

*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 damages from defective public ways.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Jennifer M. Callahan

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

18th Worcester

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 4572 OF 2007-2008.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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**AN ACT RELATIVE TO DAMAGES FROM DEFECTIVE PUBLIC WAYS.**

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

1           Section 15 of Chapter 84 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002 Official Edition, is  
2 hereby amended by striking out the words “five thousand dollars” in line 13 and inserting in place  
3 thereof the figures:— \$20,000.