

**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 electronic identity theft.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Jennifer M. Callahan

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

18th Worcester

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 210 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 ELECTRONIC IDENTITY THEFT.

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

1 Chapter 266 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 120F the following  
2 section:-

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4 Section 120G. Whoever, without authorization, knowingly creates or promotes a web page or blog, so-  
5 called, that claims to be the property or the identity of a person other than themselves, shall be punished  
6 by imprisonment in the house of correction for not more than 30 days or by a fine of not more than \$500  
7 or both for a first offense. A second or subsequent offense shall be punished by imprisonment in the  
8 house of correction for not more than 6 months or by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or both.

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