

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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PRESENTED BY:

**Barry R. Finegold**  
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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 concealing controlled substances in an automobile.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Barry R. Finegold	17th Essex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1418 OF 2007-2008.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO CONCEALING CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES IN AN AUTOMOBILE.

*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 1.** Chapter 94C of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the  
2 following new section:-

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4 Section 32 L. Any person who knowingly or intentionally conceals a controlled substance in a  
5 sealed hidden compartment within an automobile shall be punished by a term of imprisonment  
6 in a state prison for no less than 2 ½ nor more than 15 years and by a fine of no less than \$1000  
7 and up to \$10,000 dollars. No sentence imposed under the provisions of this section shall be  
8 for less than a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of 2 years. In accordance with the  
9 provisions of section 8A of chapter 279, said sentence shall begin from and after the expiration  
10 of the sentence for a violation of sections 32, 32A-G and 32I-K.

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