

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 improving the protection of children.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Viriato Manuel deMacedo	1st Plymouth
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	20th Middlesex
George N. Peterson, Jr.	9th Worcester
Elizabeth Poirier	14th Bristol

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1500 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO IMPROVING THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

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. The third paragraph of subdivision (4) of Section 26 of chapter 119 of the
2 General Laws, as most recently amended by chapter 176 of the acts of 2008, is hereby further
3 amended by striking out clause (ii) and inserting in place thereof, the following:-
4 (ii) the parent has been convicted by a court of competent jurisdiction of the murder or voluntary
5 manslaughter of another child of such parent or of the child's other parent, of aiding, abetting,
6 attempting, conspiring or soliciting to commit such murder or voluntary manslaughter or of an
7 assault constituting a felony which resulted in serious bodily injury to the child, to another child
8 of such parent or to the child's other parent.

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