

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Eugene L. O'Flaherty**

*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 the removal statute.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Eugene L. O'Flaherty

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

2nd Suffolk

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE REMOVAL STATUTE.

*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 208 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby  
2 amended by striking out section 30 and inserting in place thereof the following section:-  
3 Section 30. A minor child of divorcing or divorced parents who is a resident over whose custody  
4 and maintenance a probate court has jurisdiction shall not, be removed out of this commonwealth without  
5 the consent of both parents, unless the court upon cause shown otherwise orders. The court, upon  
6 application of any person in behalf of such child, may require security and issue writs and processes to  
7 affect the purposes of this and the three preceding sections.  
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