

HOUSE No.

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 to exempt certain criminal misdemeanors from the hearing provisions of G.L.c.218, sec. 35A.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Eugene L. O'Flaherty

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

2nd Suffolk

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1670 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT TO EXEMPT CERTAIN CRIMINAL MISDEMEANORS FROM THE HEARING
PROVISIONS OF G.L.C.218, SEC. 35A.

*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. Section 35A of chapter 218 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

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4 This section shall not apply to (1) substitute complaints that are issued to correct a
5 misstatement or omission of form in an earlier complaint; or (2) complaints for violations of
6 section 82A of chapter 276; or (3) complaints that are issued after the accused was offered an
7 opportunity to be heard pursuant to a civil citation procedure authorized by statute in which
8 the accused was charged with the same conduct as a civil infraction.

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