

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John F. Quinn, Stephen R. Canessa

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 deceptive weapon devices.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

John F. Quinn

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

9th Bristol

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1694 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO DECEPTIVE WEAPON DEVICES .

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 121 of Chapter 140 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting the following
2 definition:-
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4 “Deceptive Weapon Device” Any device or item used in the commission of a crime that is intended to convey the
5 presence of a weapon, as defined in this section, to a potential victim or law enforcement officer. Such devices or
6 items shall include, but not be limited to, common air guns, toy guns, or substances carved or fashioned to resemble
7 a weapon.
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9 SECTION 2. Chapter 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting a new section:-
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11 Section 45. Crimes committed with a deceptive weapon device
12 Any person who is in possession of a deceptive weapon device as defined in Section 121 of Chapter 140 of the
13 General Laws, during the commission of a violent crime as defined in Section 121 of Chapter 140 of the General
14 Laws shall be deemed to be armed and shall be punishable by penalties set forth in this Chapter.