

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

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

**Michael J. Rodrigues**

*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 assault and battery on health care providers.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Michael J. Rodrigues	8th Bristol

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1700 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

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### AN ACT RELATIVE TO ASSAULT AND BATTERY ON HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking out in Section 13I, as appearing  
2 in the 2000 Official Edition, and inserting in place thereof the following section:— Section 13I.  
3 Whoever commits an assault or assault and battery on an emergency medical technician, an ambulance  
4 operator, registered nurse, registered nurse psychologist, physical therapist, occupational therapist, or an  
5 ambulance attendant, while said technician, operator, registered nurse, registered nurse psychologist,  
6 physical therapist, occupational therapist or attendant is treating or transporting, in the line of duty, a  
7 person, shall be punished by imprisonment in the house of correction for not less than ninety days nor  
8 more than two and one half years, or by a fine of not less than five hundred nor more than five thousand  
9 dollars, or both.