

SENATE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Ms. Creem

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 crime of assault and battery on a child.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Ms. Creem

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Middlesex and Norfolk

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S00904 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CRIME OF ASSAULT AND BATTERY ON A CHILD.

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 13J of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended as follows:- to insert in line 6, after the word “any” and before the
3 word, “injury,” the words “bruising or”, and to insert in line 7, after the word “skin,” the words “,
4 any internal injury due to the presence of illegal substances,”

5 SECTION 2. Said Section 13J of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby
6 further amended as follows:- to strike the word “five” in line 18 and replace the same with the
7 word “ten”, and to strike the word “fifteen” in line 22, and to replace the same with the word
8 “twenty.”