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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Todd M. Smola

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:

An Act relative to increasing the penalty for kidnapping a child.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Todd M. Smola	*1st Hampden*

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By Mr. Smola of Palmer, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1620) of Todd M. Smola for legislation to increase the penalty for the kidnapping of a child. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
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, NO. *506* OF 2011-2012.]

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An Act relative to increasing the penalty for kidnapping 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 1. Section 26 of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 42 and 43, the words "shall be punished by
3 imprisonment in the state prison for not more than 15 years" and inserting in place thereof the
4 following words:- whether he succeeds or fails in the perpetration of such kidnapping, shall be
5 punished by imprisonment in the state prison for life or any term of years.