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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 improving the protection of children.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	*20th Middlesex*
Donald F. Humason, Jr.	*4th Hampden*
Sheila C. Harrington	*1st Middlesex*
Angelo L. D'Emilia	*8th Plymouth*
Geoff Diehl	*7th Plymouth*
F. Jay Barrows	*1st Bristol*
Susan Williams Gifford	*2nd Plymouth*
Donald H. Wong	*9th Essex*
Todd M. Smola	*1st Hampden*
Kevin J. Kuros	*8th Worcester*
Kimberly N. Ferguson	*1st Worcester*
Matthew A. Beaton	*11th Worcester*
Steven L. Levy	*4th Middlesex*
Paul K. Frost	*7th Worcester*
George N. Peterson, Jr.	*9th Worcester*
Elizabeth A. Poirier	*14th Bristol*
Viriato Manuel deMacedo	*1st Plymouth*

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2829) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others for legislation to exclude parental consent requirements for persons who have been convicted of murdering the other parent. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
HOUSE
, NO. *1445* OF 2009-2010.]

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An Act relative to improving the protection of children.

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

SECTION 1. The third paragraph of subdivision (4) of Section 26 of chapter 119 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby further amended by striking out clause (ii) and inserting in place thereof, the following:-

(ii) the parent has been convicted by a court of competent jurisdiction of the murder or voluntary manslaughter of another child of such parent or of the child's other parent, of aiding, abetting, attempting, conspiring or soliciting to commit such murder or voluntary manslaughter or of an assault constituting a felony which resulted in serious bodily injury to the child, to another child of such parent or to the child's other parent.