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HOUSE . . . . . No. 2911

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Nick Collins

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 THE AUTHORITY OF POLICE OFFICERS. .

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Nick Collins	*4th Suffolk*
Geraldo Alicea	*6th Worcester*
Anne M. Gobi	*5th Worcester*
William N. Brownsberger	☐ *[District]* ☐
Richard T. Moore	☐ *[District]* ☐
Thomas J. Calter	*12th Plymouth*
Bradley H. Jones, Jr.	*20th Middlesex*
Daniel B. Winslow	*9th Norfolk*
Randy Hunt	*5th Barnstable*
Stephen L. DiNatale	*3rd Worcester*
William C. Galvin	*6th Norfolk*
Jennifer E. Benson	*37th Middlesex*
Stephen R. Canessa	*12th Bristol*
Geoff Diehl	*7th Plymouth*

Todd M. Smola	*1st Hampden*
Paul Brodeur	*32nd Middlesex*
Carolyn C. Dykema	*8th Middlesex*
Christopher N. Speranzo	*3rd Berkshire*
Richard Bastien	*2nd Worcester*
Stephen Stat Smith	*28th Middlesex*
Jason M. Lewis	*31st Middlesex*
Gailanne M. Cariddi	*1st Berkshire*
James J. Dwyer	*30th Middlesex*
F. Jay Barrows	*1st Bristol*
Sal N. DiDomenico	*Middlesex, Suffolk, and Essex*
Michael R. Knapik	☐ *[District]* ☐
Donald H. Wong	*9th Essex*
Colleen M. Garry	*36th Middlesex*
David T. Vieira	*3rd Barnstable*
Alice Hanlon Peisch	*14th Norfolk*
Theodore C. Speliotis	*13th Essex*
Denise C. Garlick	*13th Norfolk*
Cleon H. Turner	*1st Barnstable*
Ryan C. Fattman	*18th Worcester*
Christopher G. Fallon	*33rd Middlesex*
David M. Nangle	*17th Middlesex*
Kevin J. Kuros	*8th Worcester*
Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.	*12th Hampden*
Kimberly N. Ferguson	*1st Worcester*
John J. Binienda	*17th Worcester*
Jennifer L. Flanagan	☐ *[District]* ☐
Steven M. Walsh	*11th Essex*
Demetrius J. Atsalis	*2nd Barnstable*
Paul W. Mark	*2nd Berkshire*
James Arciero	*2nd Middlesex*
Matthew A. Beaton	*11th Worcester*
John V. Fernandes	*10th Worcester*
Katherine M. Clark	*Middlesex and Essex*

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By Mr. Collins of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2911) of Nick Collins and others for legislation to allow police officers to make arrests outside their territorial jurisdiction. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

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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. Chapter 41, section 98 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following at the end of said section: -

Police officers who are employed by any city or town, or by the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority Transit Police Department, shall have police authority in all criminal matters and in the enforcement of the law and in serving criminal process. The powers granted to police officers under this section may be exercised anywhere in the commonwealth. Any officer who makes an arrest outside his or her territorial jurisdiction shall, as soon as practicable, turn the arrested person over to a state police officer or a police officer of the city or town where the offense occurred. Should the State Police Barracks Commander, Chief of Police or officer in charge of a police department deem such as arrest to be unlawful, nothing in this section shall require him or her to book or process the arrest, or to file a criminal complaint against the person arrested. Any officer who makes an arrest outside his or her territorial jurisdiction shall provide to the police department to whom the arrested person was transferred full and complete information about the arrest including but not limited to a written report.