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HOUSE . . . . . No. 490

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Byron Rushing

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 repeal of certain archaic laws.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Byron Rushing	*9th Suffolk*
Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.	*34th Middlesex*
Cleon H. Turner	*1st Barnstable*
Jay R. Kaufman	*15th Middlesex*
Chris Walsh	*6th Middlesex*
Frank I. Smizik	*15th Norfolk*
Elizabeth A. Malia	*11th Suffolk*
Patricia D. Jehlen	*[District]*
Tom Sannicandro	*7th Middlesex*
Martha M. Walz	*8th Suffolk*
Kay Khan	*11th Middlesex*
Ruth B. Balser	*12th Middlesex*
Gloria L. Fox	*7th Suffolk*
Ellen Story	*3rd Hampshire*

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By Mr. Rushing of Boston, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 490) of Byron Rushing and others relative to the repeal or reform of certain archaic laws. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
HOUSE
, NO. *3536* OF 2009-2010.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

An Act relative to the repeal of certain archaic laws.

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. Section 16A of Chapter 264 of the General Laws, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. Section 24 of Chapter 265 of the General Laws, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. Section 18 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. Section 26 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. Section 34 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 1 to 2, the words “commits the abominable and detestable crime against nature, either with mankind or” and inserting in place thereof the words:— engages in sexual relations.

SECTION 6. Section 35 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws, is hereby repealed.