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By Mr. Craven of Boston, petition of James J. Craven, Jr., for legislation to provide a mandatory prison sentence for persons convicted of molesting a child. Criminal Justice.

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## **The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Two.

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AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A MANDATORY SENTENCE FOR THOSE CONVICTED FOR MOLESTATION OF 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 Chapter 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting  
2 after section 35 the following section: —

3 *Section 36.* Notwithstanding any provision of the law to the  
4 contrary, any person convicted of molesting a child shall be pun-  
5 ished by imprisonment in the state prison for a period no less than  
6 seven years and no more than ten years.

