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SENATE No.296

By Mr. Reilly, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 296) of Martin T. Reilly for legislation to impose a mandatory sentence for breaking and entering a dwelling of an elderly person. Criminal Justice.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Four

AN ACT IMPOSING A PENALTY FOR BREAKING AND ENTERING THE DWELLING OF AN ELDERLY PERSON.

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 266 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 inserting after section 16A the following section: —
3 *Section 16B.* Whoever, being sixteen years or older, in the
4 nighttime or daytime, knowingly and maliciously breaks
5 and enters the dwelling of another person who is sixty years
6 or older shall be punished by imprisonment for no less
7 than one year nor more than five years. The imposition or
8 execution of this sentence shall not be suspended, and no
9 probation or parole shall be granted until the minimum
10 imprisonment herein provided for the offense shall have been
11 served.

