HOUSE No. 5966

By Mrs. Holland of Longmeadow, petition of Mary E. Hurley and Iris K. Holland relative to bail for defendants in rape cases. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

AN ACT RELATING TO BAIL FOR DEFENDANTS IN RAPE CASES.

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

- The first paragraph of Section 58 of Chapter 276 of the General
- 2 Laws, as most recently amended by section 1 of chapter 473 of the
- 3 Acts of 1971, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word
- 4 "offense", as it first appears in line 5, the words: other than an
- 5 offense punishable to life imprisonment.