

By Mr. Saggese of Winthrop, petition of Dennis J. Kearney, Alfred E. Saggese, Jr., Richard A. Voke, Daniel F. Pokaski and Salvatore DiMasi relative to the penalty for providing persons in county or state correctional institutions with implements to escape. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty.

AN ACT PROHIBITING PERSONS FROM PROVIDING A PERSON IN A COUNTY OR STATE CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION WITH IMPLEMENTS FOR ESCAPE; PENALTY FOR POSSESSION OF SUCH IMPLEMENTS.

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 268 Section 15 of the General Laws is amended by
2 adding the following paragraphs:

3 Whoever knowingly provides a person in the official custody of
4 the Sheriff, Master, Keeper, Superintendent, Jail Administrator or
5 Warden of a county correctional institution of the Commonwealth
6 with anything which may facilitate such person's escape or the
7 possession of which by such person is contrary to law or regulation,
8 or in any other manner facilitates such person's escape shall be
9 punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars or by
10 imprisonment for not more than two years.

11 Any such person in official custody as described above who
12 knowingly procures, makes or possesses anything which may facil-
13 itate escape shall be punished by imprisonment for a term not
14 exceeding two years. Such sentence shall begin upon the expiration
15 of the sentence which said prisoner was serving or will serve at the
16 time of the commission of the crime.

