

HOUSE No. 3787

By Mr. Keating of Sharon, petition of William R. Keating, Michael W. Morrissey and David Robert Nelson relative to assault and battery upon certain law enforcement officers. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty.

AN ACT INCREASING THE PUNISHMENT FOR ASSAULT AND BATTERY COMMITTED UPON CERTAIN PUBLIC SERVANTS.

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 striking
2 out section 13D, as most recently amended by chapter 680 of the
3 acts of 1975, and inserting in place thereof the following section: —
4 *Section 13D.* Whoever commits an assault and battery upon a
5 police officer, a fire fighter, a correction officer or an employee of
6 the registry of motor vehicles having police powers, or a public
7 school teacher or administrator, or any person in a public school
8 system having similar duties, or a sheriff, a deputy sheriff, a court
9 officer or a constable engaged in the performance of his duty, shall
10 be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than
11 three years or by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars and
12 imprisonment in jail or a house of correction for not less than
13 ninety days nor more than two and one-half years.

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