

HOUSE No. 1320

By Ms. Coakley-Rivera of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1320) of Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera and others for legislation to increase the penalty for assault and battery on children. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to criminal proceedings.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera	10th Hampden
Elizabeth A. Malia	11th Suffolk
Carl M. Sciortino, Jr.	34th Middlesex
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1352 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 13J of chapter 265 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is hereby
2 amended by striking out, in lines 18 and 19, the words "for not more than five years, or by imprisonment in a jail or
3 house of correction for not more than two and one-half years" and inserting in place thereof the following words:—
4 for life or for any term of years.