

HOUSE No. 1392

By Ms. Garry of Dracut, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1392) of Colleen M. Garry relative to the penalty for persons making annoying and abusive telephone calls. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Colleen M. Garry

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 annoying telephone calls.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Colleen M. Garry

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

36th Middlesex

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1451 OF 2007-2008.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO ANNOYING TELEPHONE CALLS.

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. Chapter 269A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 14A the
2 following section:-
- 3 Section 14B. Whoever allows his telephone to be used by another to telephone a person or his family,
4 repeatedly, for the sole purpose of harassing, annoying or molesting that other person or his family or for
5 the purpose of repeatedly using indecent or obscene language to that person or his family, shall be
6 punished by a fine of not more than \$500 or by imprisonment for not more than 3 months, or both.