HOUSE No. 1501

By Mr. Koutoujian of Waltham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1501) of Peter J. Koutoujian and others that persons convicted of certain crimes be required to submit DNA samples to be used for cross referencing with crime database files. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Alassachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Peter J. Koutoujian

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 Relating to DNA Samples.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Peter J. Koutoujian	10th Middlesex
Jennifer M. Callahan	18th Worcester
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Lori Ehrlich	8th Essex

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATING TO DNA SAMPLES.

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 22E of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is
- 2 hereby amended by striking out section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following section:
- 3 Section 3. Any person convicted of an offense that is punishable by imprisonment in the state
- 4 prison and any person adjudicated as a youthful offender by reason of an offense that would be
- 5 punishable by imprisonment in a state prison if committed by an adult shall submit a DNA
- 6 sample which shall be collected by a person authorized pursuant to section 4, to the department
- 7 within 90 days of such conviction or adjudication or, if incarcerated, before release from
- 8 custody, whichever occurs first, pursuant to regulations or procedures established by the director.
- 9 The results of such sample shall become part of the state's DNA database. The submission of
- such sample shall not be stayed pending a sentence appeal, motion for new trial, appeal to an
- 11 appellate court or other post conviction motion or petition. Said sample shall also be used for
- 12 cross referencing with both state and national crime database files.