

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1267**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*James J. Dwyer*

*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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to falsely assuming to be a public official.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>James J. Dwyer</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>
<i>James R. Miceli</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>Walter F. Timilty</i>	<i>7th Norfolk</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>9th Plymouth</i>

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By Mr. Dwyer of Woburn, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1267) of James J. Dwyer and others relative to the penalties imposed for falsely assuming to be a public official. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1296 OF 2013-2014.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)  
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An Act relative to falsely assuming to be a public official.

*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 33 of chapter 268 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in lines 11 and 12, the words “ a fine of not  
3 more than four hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than one year” and inserting in  
4 place thereof the following words:- a fine of not more than \$5,000 or by imprisonment in a jail or  
5 house of correction for not more than 2 ½ years or by both such fine and imprisonment.