

HOUSE No. 01374

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Benjamin Swan

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 regulations requiring secure videotaping of the booking process of state police arrestees.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Benjamin Swan</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>
<i>George Ross</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>Linda Dorcena Forry</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>

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By Mr. Benjamin Swan of Springfield, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 01374) of Linda Dorcena Forry and others relative to requiring the video or digital recording of statements made by all parties participating in the booking process of persons arrested by state police officers. Joint Committee on the Judiciary.

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An act relative to regulations requiring secure videotaping of the booking process of state police arrestees.

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. The secretary of public safety and security, in consultation with Colonel of State
2 Police, shall adopt regulations requiring the video or digital recording, or other similar means of
3 preserving visual images and statements made by all parties participating in the booking process
4 of any person arrested by a state police officer. The regulations shall include procedures to
5 ensure that such recordings are not tampered with or destroyed for such period of time as the
6 secretary deems reasonable.

7 SECTION 2. The secretary of public safety and security shall adopt the regulations required by
8 section 1

9 no later than July 31, 2011.