

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1600**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Todd M. Smola***

*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 providing further penalties for intentional loss or damage to a gravestone or other gravemarker.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Todd M. Smola*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*1st Hampden*

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By Mr. Smola of Warren, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1600) of Todd M. Smola for legislation to provide further penalties for intentional loss or damage to gravestone or other gravemarker. The Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 622 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 providing further penalties for intentional loss or damage to a gravestone or other gravemarker.

*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 73 of chapter 272 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:- In addition, the court  
3 shall order the defendant to pay restitution to the owner of the property damaged, destroyed,  
4 mutilated, defaced, inured or removed.