

HOUSE No. 1605

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jessica Ann Giannino

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 the penalties for accessory after the murder of a minor child.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Jessica Ann Giannino</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/10/2021</i>

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By Ms. Giannino of Revere, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1605) of Jessica Ann Giannino relative to penalties for persons acting as accessories after murders of minor children. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3471 OF 2019-2020.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)**

An Act relative to the penalties for accessory after the murder of a minor child.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 274 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 4 the
2 following section:-

3 Section 4A. Whoever, after the commission of a murder committed on a victim who was
4 a minor child, harbors, conceals, maintains or assists the principal felon or accessory before the
5 fact, or gives such offender any other aid, knowing that he or she has committed a felony or has
6 been accessory thereto before the fact, with intent that he or she shall avoid or escape detention,
7 arrest, trial or punishment, shall be an accessory after the fact, be punished by imprisonment in
8 the state prison for not more than 20 years or by a fine of not more than \$10,000 dollars.