

HOUSE No. 253

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Elizabeth A. Poirier

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 sale of children’s jewelry.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>

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By Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 253) of Elizabeth A. Poirier, Kimberly N. Ferguson and Chris Walsh relative to the sale of children’s jewelry. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

An Act relative to the sale of children’s jewelry.

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 94B of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after
2 section 9, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, the following section:-

3 Section 9A. (a) For purposes of this section, the following words shall, unless the context
4 clearly requires otherwise, have the following meanings:-

5 “ASTM F 2923-14”, ASTM International’s Standard Specification for Consumer Product
6 Safety for Children’s Jewelry in effect on October 1, 2014.

7 “Children’s jewelry”, jewelry designed or intended primarily for use by children 12 years
8 of age or younger to be worn as an item of personal ornamentation, not including: (i) toys or
9 other products intended for use when a child plays; (ii) accessories; (iii) apparel; (iv) footwear;
10 or (v) any other product whose purpose is primarily functional and not ornamental.

11 (b) All children's jewelry sold in the commonwealth shall meet the requirements of

12 ASTM F 2923-14

13 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect 180 days after its passage.