

HOUSE No. 3417

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Shaunna L. O'Connell

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 verification of sex offender registration.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.</i>	<i>5th Worcester</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>

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By Mrs. O'Connell of Taunton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3417) of Shaunna L. O'Connell and others relative to verification of sex offender registration. The Judiciary.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act relative to verification of sex offender registration.

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

1 The first paragraph of subsection (a) of section 178H of chapter 6 of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in the 2016 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:-

3 Prosecutions commenced pursuant to this section shall neither be continued without a
4 finding nor dismissed unless the sex offender registry board or police department produces
5 verified documentation that the sex offender has registered.