

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 00486**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

*Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.*

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*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 candidates for public office..

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*12th Hampden*

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By Mr. Angelo J. Puppolo of Springfield, petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 00486) of Angelo J. Puppolo relative to criminal penalties for persons who commit assault and battery upon candidates for public office. Joint Committee on the Judiciary.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE  
□ HOUSE  
□ , NO. 1674 OF 2009-2010.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Eleven**  
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An Act Relative to candidates for public office..

*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 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
2 section 13L the following section:-

3 Section 13M. Whoever commits an assault or assault and battery on a candidate running  
4 for public office shall be punished by imprisonment in the house of correction for not less than  
5 90 days not more than 2 ½ years or by a fine of not less than \$500 not more than \$5,000 or both.