

HOUSE No. 843

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul R. Heroux

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 recidivism reducing program reporting by the Commissioner of the Department of Correction.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>
<i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>	<i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Carlos Gonzalez</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>James J. O'Day</i>	<i>14th Worcester</i>
<i>Alice Hanlon Peisch</i>	<i>14th Norfolk</i>
<i>Denise Provost</i>	<i>27th Middlesex</i>
<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>

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By Mr. Heroux of Attleboro, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 843) of Paul R. Heroux and others relative to the reporting of recidivism reducing program outcomes by the Department of Correction. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1369 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to the recidivism reducing program reporting by the Commissioner of the Department of Correction.

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 1 of chapter 124 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended, in line 41, by inserting after the word “department;” the
3 following words:- and annually report on the outcomes on recidivism of programs of
4 rehabilitation of inmates upon discharge from the department of correction identified in
5 paragraph (e). The report must identify a program group and a proper control group, and report
6 on the rate of recidivism for each group, and report if there is or is not a statistically significant
7 difference between the two groups.