

SENATE No. 1261

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jennifer L. Flanagan

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 police pursuits in the Commonwealth.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Jennifer L. Flanagan</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>
<i>Mark J. Cusack</i>	<i>5th Norfolk</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>
<i>John H. Rogers</i>	<i>12th Norfolk</i>
<i>Brian M. Ashe</i>	<i>2nd Hampden</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>

SENATE No. 1261

By Ms. Flanagan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1261) of Jennifer L. Flanagan, Mark J. Cusack, Jennifer E. Benson, Michael O. Moore and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to police pursuits in the Commonwealth. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 1137 OF 2013-2014.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to police pursuits in the Commonwealth.

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 25 of Chapter 90 of the General Laws as appearing in the 2006
2 Official Edition by adding to the end of said section 25 the following:-

3 Any person who, while operating or in charge of a motor vehicle, when being pursued by
4 a police officer in an official police vehicle displaying lights and siren, shall refuse or neglect to
5 stop, shall be punished by a fine of not less than one thousand dollars nor more than ten thousand
6 dollars and imprisonment in State Prison for not less than two and one-half years nor more than
7 five years, or both such fine and imprisonment.