

SENATE No. 781

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cynthia S. Creem

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 to exempt certain criminal misdemeanors from the hearing provisions of G.L. C. 218.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Cynthia S. Creem

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Middlesex and Norfolk

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By Ms. Creem, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 781) of Cynthia S. Creem for legislation to exempt certain criminal misdemeanors from the hearing provisions as required by law. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. 692 OF 2013-2014.]

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

An Act to exempt certain criminal misdemeanors from the hearing provisions of G.L. C. 218.

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 35A of chapter 218 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:-

3 This section shall not apply to (1) substitute complaints that are issued to correct a
4 misstatement or omission of form in an earlier complaint; or (2) complaints for violations of
5 section 82A of chapter 276; or (3) complaints that are issued after the accused was offered an
6 opportunity to be heard pursuant to a civil citation procedure authorized by statute in which the
7 accused was charged with the same conduct as a civil infraction.