

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1325**

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By Mr. Bradley of Hingham, petition of Garrett J. Bradley relative to sex crimes against children. The Judiciary.

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN.

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

- 1 Chapter 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended by striking
- 2 out section 22A, as appearing in the 2000 Official Edition, and
- 3 inserting in place thereof the following section:—
- 4 Section 22A. Whoever has sexual intercourse or unnatural sexual
- 5 intercourse with a child under the age of sixteen, and compels said
- 6 child to submit by force and against his will or compels said child to
- 7 submit by threat of bodily injury, shall be punished by imprisonment
- 8 in the state prison for life or any term of years, but not less than five
- 9 years.