

HOUSE No. 1368

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:
Barry R. Finegold

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 concealing controlled substances in an automobile.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Barry R. Finegold	17th Essex
John J. Binienda	17th Worcester
Richard J. Ross	9th Norfolk
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Robert L. Hedlund	Plymouth and Norfolk
Linda Dorcena Forry	12th Suffolk
Linda Dean Campbell	15th Essex

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine
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AN ACT RELATIVE TO CONCEALING CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES IN AN AUTOMOBILE.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 94C of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following new section:-

Section 32 L. Any person who knowingly or intentionally conceals a controlled substance in a sealed hidden compartment within an automobile shall be punished by a term of imprisonment in a state prison for no less than 2 ½ nor more than 15 years and by a fine of no less than \$1000 and up to \$10,000 dollars. No sentence imposed under the provisions of this section shall be for less than a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of 2 years. In accordance with the provisions of section 8A of chapter 279, said sentence shall begin from and after the expiration of the sentence for a violation of sections 32, 32A-G and 32I-K.