

HOUSE No. 1370

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:
David L. Flynn

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 Criminally Negligent Homicide.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
David L. Flynn	8th Plymouth

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1422 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine
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AN ACT RELATIVE TO CRIMINALLY NEGLIGENT HOMICIDE.

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

§§ Section 30A. A person is guilty of criminally negligent homicide when, with criminal negligence, he causes the death of another person. For purposes of this section, “criminal negligence” is the failure to perceive a substantial and unjustifiable risk that is of such nature and degree that the failure to perceive it constitutes a gross deviation from the standard of care that a reasonable person would observe under the circumstances.

§§§§§§§§ Whoever is guilty of criminally negligent homicide shall be punished by imprisonment in a house of correction for not more than 2½ years and a fine of not more than \$10,000.00.