

HOUSE No. 1494

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:
Peter J. Koutoujian

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 the crime of rape by fraud.

PETITION OF:

NAME: _____ | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: _____

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine
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AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CRIME OF RAPE BY FRAUD.

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 265 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 22A the following section:-

Section 22B. Whoever has sexual intercourse or unnatural sexual intercourse with a person having obtained that person's consent by the use of fraud, concealment or artifice, and who thereby intentionally deceived such person so that a reasonable person would not have consented but for the deception, shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for life or any term of years. As used in this statute, "fraud" or "artifice" shall not be construed to mean a promise of future consideration.