

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 1668**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:  
**Elizabeth Poirier**

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*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 expanding protections against the crime of incest.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Elizabeth Poirier	14th Bristol
Richard J. Ross	9th Norfolk
Bruce E. Tarr	First Essex and Middlesex
Paul K. Frost	7th Worcester

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1685 OF 2007-2008.]

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**  
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### AN ACT RELATIVE TO EXPANDING PROTECTIONS AGAINST THE CRIME OF INCEST.

*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. Section 17 of Chapter 272 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the word “consanguinity”, in line 1, the following words:—

affinity or adoption.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect immediately upon its passage.