

SENATE NO. 919

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE CRIME OF PEEPING OR PEERING INTO DWELLING HOUSES

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 272 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section
2 53A the following section:-

3 Section 53B. Whoever knowingly enters upon the property of another and peeps, peers,
4 or spies into a dwelling through any door, window, or opening with the intent of invading the
5 privacy of the occupants therein without permission or a legitimate reason shall be punished by
6 imprisonment in a jail or house of correction for not more than two and one-half years, or by a
7 fine of not more than \$2,500 or both.

8 A law enforcement officer may arrest, without a warrant, any person such officer has
9 probable cause to believe has violated the provisions of this section.