

HOUSE No. 02810

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera

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 increasing penalties for cruelty to animals.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>
<i>Geraldo Alicea</i>	<i>6th Worcester</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>
<i>Benjamin Swan</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>

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By Ms. Coakley-Rivera of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2810) of Swan and others relative to increasing the penalties for cruelty to animals Joint Committee on the Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act increasing penalties for cruelty to animals.

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. Section 77 of chapter 272 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 19, the number “5” and inserting in place
3 thereof the following number:- 10

4 SECTION 2. Section 77 of chapter 272 of the General Laws is hereby further amended by
5 striking out, in line 21, the amount “\$2,500” and inserting in place thereof the following
6 amount:- \$5,000