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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

William L. Crocker, Jr. and Timothy R. Whelan

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 adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act to improve child safety.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
William L. Crocker, Jr.	2nd Barnstable
Timothy R. Whelan	1st Barnstable
Jennifer E. Benson	37th Middlesex
Steven S. Howitt	4th Bristol
Donald F. Humason, Jr.	Second Hampden and Hampshire
Randy Hunt	5th Barnstable
Hannah Kane	11th Worcester
Mathew J. Muratore	1st Plymouth
Shaunna L. O'Connell	3rd Bristol
Norman J. Orrall	12th Bristol
Elizabeth A. Poirier	14th Bristol
Michael J. Soter	8th Worcester
Thomas M. Stanley	9th Middlesex
José F. Tosado	9th Hampden

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By Messrs. Crocker of Barnstable and Whelan of Brewster, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 97) of William L. Crocker, Jr. and others for legislation to further regulate the sharing of certain police reports by investigators of the Department of Children and Families. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 3657 OF 2017-2018.]

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court (2019-2020)

An Act to improve child safety.

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

- Section 97D of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2016 Official
- 2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting the following sentence prior to the last sentence now
- 3 existing in the section:
- 4 "Provided further, that nothing in this section shall be construed as to prevent law
- 5 enforcement officers from making any such reports or communication accessible to investigators
- 6 employed by the Department of Children and Families."