

HOUSE No. 2093

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David Paul Linsky

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 require liability insurance for gun ownership.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>
<i>Carmine Lawrence Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>
<i>Michael J. Barrett</i>	<i>Third Middlesex</i>
<i>Michelle L. Ciccolo</i>	<i>15th Middlesex</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Dylan A. Fernandes</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>
<i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>
<i>Alice Hanlon Peisch</i>	<i>14th Norfolk</i>

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By Mr. Linsky of Natick, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2093) of David Paul Linsky and others for legislation to require liability insurance by gun owners. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 2495 OF 2017-2018.]

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

An Act to require liability insurance for gun ownership.

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 140 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the
2 following section:-

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4 Section 207. (a) Whoever possess, carries, or owns a firearm, rifle or shotgun without a
5 liability policy or bond or deposit required by the provisions of this chapter which has not been
6 provided and maintained in accordance therewith shall be punished by a fine of not less than five
7 hundred nor more than five thousand dollars or by imprisonment for not more than one year in a
8 house of correction, or both such fine and imprisonment. This section shall not apply to a person

9 who possesses a firearm, rifle, or shotgun on a temporary basis while on the premises of a
10 licensed gun club.

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12 (b) The commissioner of insurance shall promulgate regulations set forth for the
13 minimum terms of liability insurance policies which shall satisfy the requirements of this section.