

HOUSE No. 863

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 relative to juvenile restitution.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>
<i>Randy Hunt</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>
<i>Nicholas A. Boldyga</i>	<i>3rd Hampden</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 863) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr. and others relative to authorizing the courts of the Commonwealth to establish a system of juvenile restitution. The Judiciary.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1393 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to juvenile restitution.

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 119 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 62 the following new section:-

3 Section 62A. The court shall make all reasonable efforts to ensure that restitution is
4 made to the victim of a juvenile offender. The court shall order that the juvenile be required to
5 repair, replace or otherwise make restitution for damage or loss caused by his wrongful act and
6 may impose fines in limited amounts. Restitution shall be made a condition of release,
7 placement, or parole by the juvenile court. In cases where the court determines it is appropriate,
8 the court may order the juvenile to make restitution directly to the court in the form of financial
9 payments, which shall then be turned over to the victim of the offense. The court may issue such

- 10 orders as are necessary for the collection of restitution, including garnishments, wage
- 11 withholdings and executions.