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Hon. Michael Day, House Chair Joint Committee on the Judiciary State House, Room 136 Boston, MA 02113 Hon. Jamie Eldridge, Senate Chair Joint Committee on the Judiciary State House, Room 511-C Boston, MA 02113

Re: H.1758 — An Act relative to the reform of unconstitutional archaic laws

Dear Chair Day and Chair Eldridge,

I write to you in support of H.1758 *An Act relative to the reform of unconstitutional archaic laws*, a bill I have filed regarding antiquated, unconstitutional statutes in Massachusetts law. These laws support forcing values that have no place in our twenty-first-century society upon the citizens of the Commonwealth.

The statutes that this bill would repeal or amend do nothing but unnecessarily clutter our state's laws and serve as a sad reflection of past intolerance. I believe that it is our duty to modernize our laws to support the advancement of civil liberties. Removing blatantly unconstitutional archaic laws is a logical step in pursuit of this goal. I hope that the committee will report this bill out favorably.

Sincerely,

Jay Livingstone State Representative

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