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ACLU of Massachusetts Applauds Anti-Death Penalty Vote

Boston, MA - Today's 100-53 vote in the Massachusetts House of Representatives defeating Governor Romney's bill to reinstate the death penalty is a welcome and wise decision. The ACLU of Massachusetts commends the representatives who pointed out the deep flaws in this legislation and any capital punishment law.

“The notion that a death penalty system – any criminal system – any *human* system – would be or could ever be “fool proof” is wrong,” said ACLU of Massachusetts Legal Council Ann Lambert. “The great majority of members of the House of Representatives recognize this.”

Opposition to the death penalty is growing across the country and around the world. The ACLU of Massachusetts applauds our Commonwealth for remaining death penalty-free.