

SENATE No. 1741

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Joan M. Menard

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 passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to CORI information for chapter 766 approved private schools.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
Joan M. Menard	First Bristol and Plymouth
Jennifer L. Flanagan	Worcester and Middlesex
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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE SENATE, NO. S00945 OF 2007-2008.]

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In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO CORI INFORMATION FOR CHAPTER 766 APPROVED PRIVATE SCHOOLS.

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. Section 167 of Chapter 6 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 modifying the definition of "Criminal Offender Record Information" by replacing the first
3 sentence with the following sentence: "Criminal Offender Record Information", records and data
4 in any communicable form compiled by any criminal justice agency or agency which
5 investigates the abuse or neglect of children or individuals with disabilities in this and in other
6 states and within the United States Government which concern an identifiable individual and
7 relate to the nature or disposition of a criminal charge, an arrest, a pre-trial proceeding, other
8 judicial proceedings, sentencing, incarceration, rehabilitation, release, or the nature and
9 disposition of reports of abuse or neglect of children or individuals with disabilities.

10 SECTION 2. Section 168 of Chapter 6 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
11 replacing the second sentence of paragraph four with the following sentence: Said systems shall
12 be designed to insure the prompt collection, exchange, dissemination and distribution of such

13 criminal offender records information as may be necessary for the efficient administration and
14 operation of criminal justice agencies, and to connect such systems directly and indirectly with
15 similar systems in this and other states and any system within the United States government.

16 SECTION 3. Section 1 of Chapter 28A of the General Laws is hereby amended by
17 inserting the following new language at the end of Section 1: (7) to assure that every provider of
18 child care services has electronic access to criminal history information for current or
19 prospective employees, volunteers and consultants that is compiled by the Massachusetts
20 Criminal History Systems Board and all similar agencies in other states and agencies under the
21 jurisdiction of the United States government within twenty-four hours of the receipt of a request.