

HOUSE No. 317

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Garrett J. Bradley

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 resolve:

Resolve providing for a study of compulsory school attendance.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Garrett J. Bradley</i>	<i>3rd Plymouth</i>
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>

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By Mr. Bradley of Hingham, a petition (accompanied by resolve, House, No. 317) of Garrett J. Bradley and James M. Cantwell that the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education be directed to conduct a study relative to compulsory school attendance. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 341 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**

Resolve providing for a study of compulsory school attendance.

1 **Resolved**, that the board of elementary and secondary education is hereby authorized and
2 directed to conduct a study relative to the establishment of ages five to eighteen years old as the
3 period of compulsory school attendance in Massachusetts. Such study shall include, but not be
4 limited to, analyses of the impact of the altered requirements on student’s readiness for
5 elementary school, and on high school completion, with due attention to the experience in other
6 states; and analyses of fiscal implications for the commonwealth and for school districts. Said
7 board shall report to the general court the results of its study, and any related recommendations,
8 by filing the same with the clerks of the Senate and of the House of Representatives on or before
9 December 31, 2015.