

HOUSE No. 4630

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, September 26, 2016.

The committee on Education to whom were referred the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 253) of Sonia Chang-Diaz, Daniel A. Wolf, Benjamin B. Downing, Kevin G. Honan and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to universal pre-kindergarten access; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 266) of Sal N. DiDomenico, Jason M. Lewis, F. Jay Barrows, Joan B. Lovely and other members of the General Court for legislation to improve educational outcomes for children in the Commonwealth from birth through school age; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 267) of Sal N. DiDomenico, James B. Eldridge, Eileen M. Donoghue, Jason M. Lewis and other members of the General Court for legislation to ensure high quality pre-kindergarten education; the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 268) of Sal N. DiDomenico, Denise Provost, Jason M. Lewis, Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr. and other members of the General Court for legislation relative to universal early education and full-day kindergarten; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 326) of Antonio F. D. Cabral for an investigation by a special commission (including members of the General Court) relative to the possible expansion of universal pre-kindergarten; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 336) of Tackey Chan and others relative to promoting child development and school-readiness; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3402) of Alan Silvia and others for legislation to provide pre-kindergarten education to four year old children meeting specific requirements in gateway municipalities; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 341) of Marjorie C. Decker and others for legislation to establish pilot programs for universal pre-kindergarten in gateway municipalities and other low-income neighborhoods and communities; the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 462) of Alice Hanlon Peisch and others for legislation to develop a high quality pre-kindergarten education grant program; and the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 489) of Frank I. Smizik and others for legislation to establish universal early education and full-day kindergarten in the Commonwealth; reports recommending that the accompanying order (House, No. 4630) ought to be adopted.

For the committee,

ALICE HANLON PEISCH.

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1 *Ordered,* That the committee on Education be authorized to sit during a recess of the
2 General Court to make an investigation and study of Senate documents numbered 253, 266, 267,
3 and 268 and House documents numbered 326, 336, 341, 462, 489 and 3402, relative to early
4 education.

5 Said committee shall report to the General Court the results of its investigation and study
6 and its recommendations, if any, together with drafts of legislation necessary to carry such
7 recommendations into effect, by filing the same with the Clerk of the House of Representatives
8 on or before December 31, 2016.