HOUSE . . . . No. 301

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Mathew Muratore

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 bill:

An Act relative to special education training.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Mathew Muratore	1st Plymouth	1/17/2017
Josh S. Cutler	6th Plymouth	1/19/2017
Timothy R. Whelan	1st Barnstable	
Carolyn C. Dykema	8th Middlesex	
F. Jay Barrows	1st Bristol	

HOUSE . . . . No. 301

By Mr. Muratore of Plymouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 301) of Mathew Muratore and others relative to special education training. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

_____

In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court
(2017-2018)

_____

An Act relative to special education training.

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 38Q of chapter 71, as appearing in the 2014 Official Edition, is hereby amended

2   by inserting after the first paragraph the following paragraph:-

3   Every school district in the commonwealth shall ensure that paraprofessionals and

4   teacher assistants assigned to work with a teacher who has primary oversight of a school age

5   child requiring special education, as defined in section 1 of chapter 71B, receive training in

6   student behavior management within 60 days of assignment to such responsibility. School boards

7   may provide such training to other employees, including transportation employees. The

8   department of elementary and secondary education, in consultation with the University of

9   Massachusetts, shall develop an online training that school districts may use to fulfill the

10   requirements of this paragraph; provided, that the online training shall be provided to every

11   school district free of charge.