

HOUSE No. 472

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act requiring parental consent on sex education in public schools..

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

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2 SECTION 1. 32A of Chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1998 Official
3 Edition is hereby amended by striking out the section in its entirety and replacing it thereof with
4 the following: —

5 Any city, town or school district maintaining or implementing any curriculum, unit of
6 study, school-sanctioned program or activity which involves sex education shall offer it only on
7 an elective basis. Given five school days notice, prior review of said materials, as well as the
8 questioning of teachers and administrators involved, will be extended to parents, guardians
9 and/or their legal representatives. Written parent or guardian permission will be required for
10 student participation. No public school teacher or employee who feels that such curriculum or
11 activity violates his or her religious beliefs shall be required to participate in any way.