HOUSE No. 497

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Nine

An Act to establish a school choice circuit breaker..

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 12B of Chapter 76 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2003 Official
- 2 Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (o) the following subsection:—
- 3 (p) Any sending district which experiences a net loss of more than 5% of its student
- 4 population in a given grade or a net loss of more than 10% of its total student population from
- 5 the prior year due to school choice, shall also be eligible to apply for a school choice
- 6 reimbursement from the commonwealth as provided in subsection (n). The reimbursement
- 7 amount shall be equal to 50 percent of the school choice tuition amount for each student
- 8 enrolling in a receiving district in excess of 5% of the total population in a given grade during the
- 9 prior year for the sending district or in excess of 10% of the total population during the prior year
- in the sending district.