

**SENATE . . . . . No. 296**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the Year Two Thousand Nine**  
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An Act relative to an afterschool education pilot..

*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 1. Notwithstanding any special or general law to the contrary, there is hereby  
2 established a pilot program to provide after school and summer educational services operated by  
3 a non-profit organization staffed by certified teachers and college aged tutors. This pilot shall  
4 provide comprehensive academic and social supplemental education in a safe and supportive  
5 environment. The pilot shall be focused to cater to the needs of students in low-income urban  
6 communities, specifically those urban youth that require additional assistance to become  
7 academically proficient. The students shall be instructed for two and a half hours in core  
8 curricula such as math and literacy using a multi-cultural approach. In addition, the program will  
9 include the opportunity to work with tutors on homework, community service, and team self-  
10 esteem and relationship building.

11           SECTION 2: The pilot shall be instituted in the cities of Lowell, Worcester, Boston,  
12 Plymouth, and Springfield.