

HOUSE No. 148

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Viriato Manuel deMacedo

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 Financial Literacy Curriculum..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Viriato Manuel deMacedo</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>1/14/2011</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2011</i>

HOUSE No. 148

By Mr. deMacedo of Plymouth, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 148) of Viriato Manuel deMacedo and Sheila Harrington relative to mandating a curriculum in the public schools on personal financial literacy. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 375 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act Relative to Financial Literacy Curriculum..

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 general or special law to the contrary, the department
2 of education shall authorize and assist in the implementation of programs to teach personal
3 financial literacy in order to equip students with the knowledge and skills needed to become self-
4 supporting and to enable students to make critical decisions regarding personal finances. The
5 department shall develop a curriculum, materials and guidelines that local boards of education
6 and governing authorities of accredited nonpublic schools shall use in implementing the program
7 of instruction on personal financial literacy. The department shall also develop standards and
8 objectives for personal financial literacy for all grade levels within the existing math curriculum.