## **HOUSE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . No. 155**

## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

#### Elizabeth A. Poirier

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 requiring parental consent on sex education in public schools.

#### PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Elizabeth A. Poirier	14th Bristol	1/14/2011
George N. Peterson, Jr.	9th Worcester	2/4/2011
F. Jay Barrows	1st Bristol	2/3/2011
Joyce A. Spiliotis	12th Essex	1/26/2011
Daniel K. Webster	6th Plymouth	2/3/2011
George T. Ross	2nd Bristol	1/25/2011
Marc T. Lombardo	22nd Middlesex	1/18/2011
Dennis A. Rosa	4th Worcester	1/20/2011
James J. Lyons, Jr.	18th Essex	1/21/2011
Geoff Diehl	7th Plymouth	1/21/2011
Steven L. Levy	4th Middlesex	1/23/2011
Shaunna O'Connell	3rd Bristol	2/1/2011
Raymond T. Neary	6 Lantern Lane Medfield, MA 02052	

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By Ms. Poirier of North Attleborough, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 155) of Elizabeth A. Poirier and others for legislation to require parental consent on sex education in public schools. Education.

# [SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 472 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

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:

2 SECTION 1. 32A of Chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 1998 Official

Edition is hereby amended by striking out the section in its entirety and replacing it thereof with

4 the following: —

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5 Any city, town or school district maintaining or implementing any curriculum, unit of

study, school-sanctioned program or activity which involves sex education shall offer it only on

an elective basis. Given five school days notice, prior review of said materials, as well as the

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

- student participation. No public school teacher or employee who feels that such curriculum or
- activity violates his or her religious beliefs shall be required to participate in any way.