

HOUSE No. 161

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John W. Scibak

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 to establish a school choice circuit breaker.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

Stephen L. DiNatale

3rd Worcester

Bruce E. Tarr

HOUSE No. 161

By Mr. Scibak of South Hadley, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 161) of Stephen L. DiNatale and Bruce E. Tarr relative to establishing a school district reimbursement plan for the Commonwealth. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 497 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

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
10 in the sending district.