

HOUSE No. 3931

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Twelve

An Act establishing six-year career plans for all Massachusetts public school students.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 The executive office of education shall, on or before June 1, 2012, convene an advisory
2 committee to investigate and study a development and implementation process for 6-year career
3 planning to be coordinated by licensed school guidance counselors for all students in grades 6 to
4 12, inclusive, for implementation beginning in the 2014-2015 school year. Additionally, the
5 advisory committee shall determine if licensed school guidance counselors require specialized
6 training in order to effectively provide 6-year career planning to students and shall make
7 recommendations accordingly.

8 The advisory committee shall consist of 8 members: 1 of whom shall be the secretary of
9 education, or a designee, who shall serve as chair; 1 of whom shall be the commissioner of
10 elementary or secondary education or a designee; 1 of whom shall be the commissioner of higher
11 education or a designee; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the New England Association for
12 College Admission Counseling; 1 of whom shall be appointed by the New England Regional
13 Office of the College Board; 1 of whom shall be a guidance director to be appointed by the

14 Massachusetts Association of Vocational Administrators; and 2 persons to be appointed by the
15 Massachusetts School Counselors Association.

16 The committee shall report to the general court the results of its investigation and study
17 and its recommendations by filing the same with the clerks of the senate and the house of
18 representatives who shall forward the same to the chairs of the joint committee on education and
19 the chairs of the house and senate committee on ways and means on or before December 31,
20 2012.