SENATE No. 203

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

James B. Eldridge

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 providing fair process for students with disabilities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
James B. Eldridge	
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex
Jennifer E. Benson	37th Middlesex
Tom Sannicandro	7th Middlesex
Frank I. Smizik	15th Norfolk
Patricia D. Jehlen	
Antonio F. D. Cabral	13th Bristol
James J. O'Day	14th Worcester
Garrett J. Bradley	3rd Plymouth
Denise Provost	27th Middlesex

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By Mr. Eldridge, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 203) of James B. Eldridge, Kay Khan, Jennifer E. Benson, Tom Sannicandro and other members of the General Court for legislation to provide fair process for students with disabilities. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE SENATE, NO. 227 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act providing fair process for students with disabilities.

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

- 1 Chapter 71B of the General Laws, is hereby amended in Section 3 by inserting
- 2 after the third sentence of paragraph 12 the following sentence:
- 3 "The school committee shall have the burden of proof in any proceeding conducted
- 4 pursuant to this section."