

HOUSE No. 3338

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Paul Brodeur

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 fundraising by parent teacher organizations.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/17/2013</i>
<i>Cory Atkins</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>	<i>3/14/2013</i>
<i>Katherine M. Clark</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	<i>3/14/2013</i>
<i>Denise C. Garlick</i>	<i>13th Norfolk</i>	<i>3/15/2013</i>
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	<i>3/15/2013</i>
<i>Louis L. Kafka</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>	<i>3/14/2013</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>	<i>3/15/2013</i>
<i>Tom Sannicandro</i>	<i>7th Middlesex</i>	<i>3/13/2013</i>

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By Mr. Brodeur of Melrose, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3338) of Paul Brodeur and others relative to fundraising by parent teacher organizations. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen

An Act relative to fundraising by parent teacher organizations.

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 7A of chapter 271 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition,
2 is hereby amended by inserting after the word “permit,” in line 69, the following paragraph:-

3 In addition to the exemptions provided for in the previous paragraph, parent teacher
4 organizations raising money for public and private schools, exclusively, shall be permitted to
5 host promote, operate, and conduct a raffle or bazaar provided that the parent teacher
6 organization does not raise more than 15,000 per raffle or bazaar. Said parent teacher
7 organizations shall not be required to register as a nonprofit but shall apply for a permit to
8 conduct raffles and bazaars from the clerk of the city or town in which the raffle will be drawn or
9 the bazaar held. The application form shall be approved by the commissioner of public safety
10 and shall include the name and address of the applicant, the evidence on which the applicant
11 relies in order to qualify under this section, the names of 3 officers or members of the
12 organization who shall be responsible for the operation of the raffle or bazaar, and the uses to
13 which the net proceeds will be applied. If the clerk so determines, he shall forward the
14 application to the chief of police of the city or town, who shall determine whether the applicant is
15 qualified to operate raffles and bazaars under this section. If the chief of police so determines, he
16 shall endorse the application and return it to the clerk, who shall forthwith issue a permit, which
17 shall be valid for 1 year from the date of its issuance. The clerk shall retain a copy of the
18 application and shall send a copy to the commissioner of public safety. If there is any change in
19 the facts set forth in the application for a permit subsequent to the making of such application,
20 the applicant shall forthwith notify the authority granting such permit of such change, and such
21 authority shall issue such permit if the applicant is qualified, or, if a permit has already been

22 issued and the change in the facts set forth in the application disqualify the applicant revoke such
23 permit.