

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 439**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Jason M. Lewis*

*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 equity in education funding.

PETITION OF:

| NAME:                    | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:              | DATE ADDED:      |
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| <i>Jason M. Lewis</i>    | <i>Fifth Middlesex</i>         | <i>1/14/2013</i> |
| <i>Peter V. Kocot</i>    | <i>1st Hampshire</i>           |                  |
| <i>James J. Dwyer</i>    | <i>30th Middlesex</i>          |                  |
| <i>Kate Hogan</i>        | <i>3rd Middlesex</i>           |                  |
| <i>David M. Rogers</i>   | <i>24th Middlesex</i>          |                  |
| <i>James B. Eldridge</i> | <i>Middlesex and Worcester</i> |                  |

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By Mr. Lewis of Winchester, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 439) of Jason M. Lewis and others relative to local contributions to foundation budgets for school districts. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 152 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**

An Act relative to equity in education funding.

*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 1. Section 3 of chapter 70 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2008  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:

3 Any municipality with a combined effort yield of 100 per cent or greater of the fiscal year  
4 2014 foundation budget and each ensuing year, shall have in fiscal year 2014 and in each  
5 ensuing year a target maximum local contribution of no more than 82.5 per cent of its foundation  
6 budget.

7 Any municipality with a combined effort yield less than 100 per cent of the fiscal year  
8 2014 foundation budget and each ensuing year, shall have in fiscal year 2014 and in each  
9 ensuing year a target maximum local contribution of no more than 80 per cent of its foundation  
10 budget.