

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 501**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Thomas M. Stanley*

*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 charter schools 2..

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Thomas M. Stanley</i>	<i>9th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/16/2013</i>
<i>Theodore C. Speliotis</i>	<i>13th Essex</i>	<i>2/1/2013</i>

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By Mr. Stanley of Waltham, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 501) of Thomas M. Stanley and Theodore C. Speliotis relative to charter school applications. Education.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 169 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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*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 89 of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2002  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out subsection (g) and inserting in place thereof  
3 the following subsection:—

4           Before final approval to establish a commonwealth charter school the board of education  
5 with a majority of its members present shall hold a public hearing on said application in the  
6 municipality in which the proposed charter school is to be located. The board shall solicit and  
7 review comments on the application from the local school committee for the school district in  
8 which said charter school is to be located. Unless a majority of the members of the board of  
9 education are present at the public hearing. The application for a commonwealth charter school  
10 shall be deemed denied.