

**SENATE . . . . . No. 275**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Bruce E. Tarr***

*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 to promote alternative dispute resolution for students..**

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Bruce E. Tarr*

*First Essex and Middlesex*

*Richard J. Ross*

*Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex*

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 275) of Bruce E. Tarr and Richard J. Ross for legislation to promote alternative dispute resolution for students. Education.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 244 OF 2011-2012.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen**  
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An Act to promote alternative dispute resolution for 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           SECTION 1. Chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended by inserting, after the word “law” in line 115, the following sentence:- “The  
3 board shall also establish standards for the inclusion in curriculum at all grade levels,  
4 frameworks designed to teach students methods of resolving interpersonal disputes in productive  
5 and effective ways and which shall discourage the use of violence and/or other forms of abuse in  
6 the resolution of such disputes”.