

# SENATE . . . . . No. 578

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Eileen M. Donoghue*

*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 fees at community colleges and state universities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*Eileen M. Donoghue*

*First Middlesex*

*James Arciero*

*2nd Middlesex*

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By Ms. Donoghue, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 578) of Eileen M. Donoghue and James Arciero for legislation relative to fees at community colleges and state universities. Higher Education.

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In the Year Two Thousand Thirteen  
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An Act relative to fees at community colleges and state universities.

*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. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, section 22 of  
2 chapter 15A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010 Official Edition, shall hereby be  
3 amended by inserting after the word “process”, in line 14, the following:-

4           The rate of increase for fees shall not exceed the immediately preceding 3-year average  
5 of the Consumer Price Index for Massachusetts. Each community college or state university  
6 may petition for a higher increase with the board of higher education, and in contemplating  
7 approval, the board shall consider the quality of the educational programs offered at the  
8 community college or state university as well as the burden that this increase would impose on  
9 students.