

HOUSE No. 359

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kimberly N. Ferguson

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 the powers and duties of a regional school district.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i> | <i>1st Worcester</i> | <i>1/14/2015</i> |
| <i>Josh S. Cutler</i> | <i>6th Plymouth</i> | |
| <i>Susan Williams Gifford</i> | <i>2nd Plymouth</i> | |
| <i>Jennifer E. Benson</i> | <i>37th Middlesex</i> | |
| <i>Chris Walsh</i> | <i>6th Middlesex</i> | |
| <i>Jennifer L. Flanagan</i> | <i>Worcester and Middlesex</i> | |
| <i>Stephen L. DiNatale</i> | <i>3rd Worcester</i> | |
| <i>Stephen Kulik</i> | <i>1st Franklin</i> | |
| <i>Brian M. Ashe</i> | <i>2nd Hampden</i> | |
| <i>Sheila C. Harrington</i> | <i>1st Middlesex</i> | |
| <i>Gailanne M. Cariddi</i> | <i>1st Berkshire</i> | |

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By Mrs. Ferguson of Holden, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 359) of Kimberly N. Ferguson and others relative to the powers and duties of regional school districts. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 401 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**
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An Act relative to the powers and duties of a regional school district.

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 16 of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following subsection:-

3 (s) A regional school district may serve as the fiscal agent when the regional district and
4 one or more towns or superintendency union have hired the same superintendent and central
5 office staff; provided that the regional district shall enter into a written agreement with the school
6 committee or committees concerning the regional district billing the school committee or
7 committees for services and payment of personnel.