

HOUSE No. 497

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Benjamin Swan

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 eliminate the use of the MCAS for high school graduation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Benjamin Swan</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>
<i>Gloria L. Fox</i>	<i>7th Suffolk</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>
<i>Ellen Story</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>

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By Mr. Swan of Springfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 497) of Benjamin Swan and others relative to repealing the testing requirements for graduation under the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 504 OF 2013-2014.]

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**In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court
(2015-2016)**
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An Act to eliminate the use of the MCAS for high school graduation.

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 1D of chapter 69 of the General Laws, is hereby amended by
2 adding after the word “graduation” in paragraph (i) the following words: —; provided however,
3 that the MCAS test, so called, or other state-developed, standardized test, shall not be a
4 component of the competency determination.