

# SENATE . . . . . No. 305

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

***Jason M. Lewis, (BY REQUEST)***

*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 incentivize efficiencies in the education system of the Commonwealth through the economies of scale.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Gerry Mroz</i>	<i>62 Mt. Vernon St. Melrose, MA 02176</i>	
<i>Paul Brodeur</i>	<i>32nd Middlesex</i>	
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	<i>11/2/2015</i>

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By Mr. Lewis (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 305) of Gerry Mroz for legislation to incentivize efficiencies in the education system of the Commonwealth through the economies of scale. Education.

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In the One Hundred and Eighty-Ninth General Court  
(2015-2016)  
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An Act to incentivize efficiencies in the education system of the Commonwealth through the economies of scale.

*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 64 of Chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014  
2   Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting the following new paragraphs:

3           Any existing public school district, regional school district, or Commonwealth Charter  
4   School which seeks to consolidate the following positions with other such school districts or  
5   schools in the form of a Superintendency Union will be provided a one-time incentive payment  
6   of \$50,000 which may be applied toward restructuring costs of such consolidation or to other  
7   benefit as the local School Committee may decide. Such payments will be provided subject to  
8   appropriation for the fiscal year.

9           Such qualifying Superintendency Unions will consolidate, at a minimum, the functions of  
10   the positions including staffs, of Superintendents, Assistant Superintendents, Business Managers,  
11   Curriculum Directors, Special Education Directors, Human Resource Managers, Academic

12 Department Chairs, Guidance Chairs, Athletic Directors, English Language Learning Directors,  
13 and Information Technology Directors.

14       Upon initial consolidation, and in application for receipt of the incentive payments for the  
15 member districts, each Superintendency Union shall submit to the Department of Elementary and  
16 Secondary Education for approval, a consolidation transition plan which will provide for the  
17 elimination of all redundant positions before three years shall have elapsed from the time of the  
18 formation of the Superintendency Union.

19       An appropriation of \$100,000 will be made to the Department of Elementary and  
20 Secondary Education and an appropriation of \$100,000 will be made to the Department of  
21 Revenue for the purpose of providing technical assistance for the formation of such  
22 Superintendency Unions.