

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2022**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Diana DiZoglio and Sean Garballey***

*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 civic education in public schools.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Diana DiZoglio</i>	<i>14th Essex</i>	<i>1/20/2017</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/23/2017</i>
<i>Susannah M. Whipps</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>	<i>1/24/2017</i>
<i>Solomon Goldstein-Rose</i>	<i>3rd Hampshire</i>	
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	
<i>Ann-Margaret Ferrante</i>	<i>5th Essex</i>	
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>	
<i>Carmine L. Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Frank A. Moran</i>	<i>17th Essex</i>	
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	
<i>Aaron Vega</i>	<i>5th Hampden</i>	
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>	
<i>Daniel Cullinane</i>	<i>12th Suffolk</i>	
<i>Juana B. Matias</i>	<i>16th Essex</i>	
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	
<i>Brian Murray</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>	
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	

<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>
<i>Chynah Tyler</i>	<i>7th Suffolk</i>
<i>Kate D. Campanale</i>	<i>17th Worcester</i>
<i>Jeffrey N. Roy</i>	<i>10th Norfolk</i>
<i>Gailanne M. Cariddi</i>	<i>1st Berkshire</i>
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>

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By Representatives DiZoglio of Methuen and Garballey of Arlington, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2022) of Diana DiZoglio, Sean Garballey and others that the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education develop a civic education curriculum to be included within the history and social science curriculum of public schools. Education.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 346 OF 2015-2016.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act relative to civic education in public schools.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 71 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

2 The department of elementary and secondary education shall develop a model  
3 curriculum, which shall be included within the history and/or social science curriculum. The  
4 topics addressed shall include: (i) the history of voting as a constitutional right; (ii) the process of  
5 registering to vote, with explanations of registration deadlines and election day education, the  
6 initiative petition and referendum process and the overall election process, including descriptions  
7 of the various elected offices and their terms; (iii) the makeup and role of the 3 branches of  
8 government: executive, legislative, and judicial and the 3 levels of government: local, state, and  
9 federal government; (iv) the history of political movements and current events, and (v) civic

- 10 related, service-learning projects. The department shall establish standards to evaluate this
- 11 curriculum and thereafter create a pilot program to be implemented for school districts.