

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2039**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Sheila C. Harrington***

*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 requiring public school districts to add civics to their curriculum.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>
<i>William L. Crocker, Jr.</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>
<i>Angelo M. Scaccia</i>	<i>14th Suffolk</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>
<i>Jennifer L. Flanagan</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>
<i>Carmine L. Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>
<i>Shaunna L. O'Connell</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>
<i>Jeffrey N. Roy</i>	<i>10th Norfolk</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>

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By Mrs. Harrington of Groton, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2039) of Sheila C. Harrington and others for legislation to require public school districts to include civics in their curriculum. Education.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act requiring public school districts to add civics to their curriculum.

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

- 1           Every public school district shall require all students to complete a section in civics
- 2 before graduating from secondary school. Civics education course may be offered at either the
- 3 secondary school or intermediate school level at the discretion of the Administration of the
- 4 school district. Said course may be incorporated into a social studies curriculum if applicable.