

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2055**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Sarah K. Peake***

*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 student sun safety.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
<i>Sarah K. Peake</i>	<i>4th Barnstable</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>
<i>William L. Crocker, Jr.</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>
<i>Marjorie C. Decker</i>	<i>25th Middlesex</i>
<i>Chris Walsh</i>	<i>6th Middlesex</i>
<i>Patrick M. O'Connor</i>	<i>Plymouth and Norfolk</i>
<i>Kate Hogan</i>	<i>3rd Middlesex</i>
<i>James M. Cantwell</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>
<i>Julian Cyr</i>	<i>Cape and Islands</i>

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By Ms. Peake of Provincetown, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2055) of Sarah K. Peake and others for legislation to allow the use of sunscreen in all public schools in the commonwealth. Education.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**

An Act relative to student sun safety.

*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. Chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014 official edition,  
2 is hereby amended by adding after Section 97 the following section:-

3 Section 98. Any person, including but not limited to students, parents or school  
4 personnel may possess and use a topical sunscreen product without a physician’s note or  
5 prescription while on school property or at a school-related event or activity to avoid  
6 overexposure to the sun if the product is regulated by the Federal Food and Drug Administration  
7 for over-the-counter use.

8 For the purposes of this section only, sunscreen is not an over-the-counter medication.

9 Nothing in this section requires school personnel to assist pupils in applying sunscreen.

10 The school district may encourage school sites to educate pupils on sun safety  
11 precautions.