

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 645**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Paul A. Schmid, III***

*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 higher education capital investment in gateway cities.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Paul A. Schmid, III</i>	<i>8th Bristol</i>	<i>1/17/2017</i>
<i>Antonio F. D. Cabral</i>	<i>13th Bristol</i>	<i>1/31/2017</i>
<i>Carole A. Fiola</i>	<i>6th Bristol</i>	<i>1/23/2017</i>
<i>Alan Silvia</i>	<i>7th Bristol</i>	<i>1/23/2017</i>

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By Mr. Schmid of Westport, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 645) of Paul A. Schmid, III and others relative to higher education capital investments in gateway municipalities or abutting municipalities. Higher Education.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1071 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 higher education capital investment in gateway cities.

*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 258 of the acts of 2008 is hereby amended by inserting the  
2 following section after section 14:-

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4           Section 15. Notwithstanding any special or general law to the contrary, the authorizations  
5 contained in this chapter may not be used to fund projects that fail to meet one of the following  
6 criteria: (a) construction of the project began prior to July 1, 2015; (b) the project is not located  
7 in a municipality that is or is adjacent to a gateway municipality, as defined by section 3A of  
8 chapter 23A of the General Laws, or (c) the project is located within a gateway municipality, as

9 so defined, is within 2000 feet of such municipality's city hall and is or will be within 500 feet  
10 of public transportation upon completion of the project.