

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1082**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Sonia Chang-Diaz***

*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 providing opportunity for youth with substance abuse needs.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Sonia Chang-Diaz</i>	<i>Second Suffolk</i>	
<i>José F. Tosado</i>	<i>9th Hampden</i>	<i>1/30/2017</i>
<i>Paul R. Heroux</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	<i>1/31/2017</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2017</i>
<i>John F. Keenan</i>	<i>Norfolk and Plymouth</i>	<i>1/31/2017</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Malia</i>	<i>11th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>Kathleen O'Connor Ives</i>	<i>First Essex</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>

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By Ms. Chang-Diaz, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1082) of Sonia Chang-Diaz, Jose F. Tosado, Paul R. Heroux, James B. Eldridge and other members of the General Court for legislation to provide opportunity for youth with substance abuse needs. Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninetieth General Court  
(2017-2018)**  
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An Act providing opportunity for youth with substance abuse needs.

*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. 7035-XXXX For reimbursements to cities, towns, and regional school  
2 districts for the cost of transportation of resident pupils as required by subsection (f) of section  
3 91 of chapter 71 of the General Laws; provided, that the commonwealth’s obligation shall not  
4 exceed the amount appropriated in this item ..... \$1,200,000

5           SECTION 2. To provide for improvements to substance abuse recovery services in the  
6 commonwealth in fiscal year 2017, the sums set forth in SECTION 1 of this act are hereby  
7 appropriated from the General Fund for the several purposes and subject to the conditions  
8 specified in this act and subject to laws regulating the disbursement of public funds; provided,  
9 however, that notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, appropriations made  
10 herein shall not revert and shall be available for expenditure until June 30, 2018.

11           SECTION 3. Section 91 of Chapter 71 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding  
12 the following new subsection:-

13           (f) A municipality wherein a student resides who is admitted to a Recovery High School,  
14 shall, when necessary, provide for the transportation of such student, and shall, subject to  
15 appropriation, be entitled to state reimbursement to the full extent of the amount expended.