

**SENATE . . . . . No. 231**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Viriato M. deMacedo***

*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 financial literacy curriculum.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Viriato M. deMacedo</i>	<i>Plymouth and Barnstable</i>	
<i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i>	<i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i>	<i>1/31/2017</i>
<i>Thomas J. Calter</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/31/2017</i>
<i>Ryan C. Fattman</i>	<i>Worcester and Norfolk</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>
<i>Richard J. Ross</i>	<i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i>	<i>10/18/2017</i>

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By Mr. deMacedo, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 231) of Viriato M. deMacedo, Donald F. Humason, Jr., Thomas J. Calter, Ryan C. Fattman and others for legislation relative to mandating a curriculum in the public schools on personal financial literacy. Education.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 258 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 financial literacy 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           SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the department  
2 of education shall authorize and assist in the implementation of programs to teach personal  
3 financial literacy in order to equip students with the knowledge and skills needed to become self-  
4 supporting and to enable students to make critical decisions regarding personal finances. The  
5 department shall develop a curriculum, materials and guidelines that local boards of education  
6 and governing authorities of accredited nonpublic schools shall use in implementing the program  
7 of instruction on personal financial literacy. The department shall also develop standards and  
8 objectives for personal financial literacy for all grade levels within the existing math curriculum.