

**SENATE . . . . . No. 293**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Barbara A. L'Italien***

*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 Massachusetts high school diplomas.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Barbara A. L'Italien</i>	<i>Second Essex and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Jason M. Lewis</i>	<i>Fifth Middlesex</i>	<i>1/30/2017</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2017</i>
<i>Carolyn C. Dykema</i>	<i>8th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/2/2017</i>
<i>Linda Dean Campbell</i>	<i>15th Essex</i>	<i>2/3/2017</i>

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By Ms. L'Italien, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 293) of Barbara A. L'Italien, Jason M. Lewis, James B. Eldridge, Carolyn C. Dykema and others for legislation relative to Massachusetts high school diplomas. Education.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE SENATE, NO. 311 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 Massachusetts high school diplomas.

*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. Section 1D of Chapter 69 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2014  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting the following paragraph:

3           Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, no student who has met all  
4 other requirements for a high school diploma, including passing grades in all required courses,  
5 shall be denied a diploma because of a score on a state standardized test.