

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 447**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Kimberly N. Ferguson***

*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 regional bonus aid.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>1/15/2019</i>
<i>William L. Crocker, Jr.</i>	<i>2nd Barnstable</i>	<i>1/23/2019</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>	<i>1/23/2019</i>
<i>Shawn Dooley</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/23/2019</i>
<i>Dean A. Tran</i>	<i>Worcester and Middlesex</i>	<i>1/24/2019</i>
<i>Donald F. Humason, Jr.</i>	<i>Second Hampden and Hampshire</i>	<i>1/24/2019</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>	<i>1/25/2019</i>
<i>Anne M. Gobi</i>	<i>Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Middlesex</i>	<i>1/29/2019</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Jennifer E. Benson</i>	<i>37th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Susannah M. Whipps</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>

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By Mrs. Ferguson of Holden, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 447) of Kimberly N. Ferguson and others for legislation to provide bonus aid to newly formed regional school districts. Education.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 251 OF 2017-2018.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)  
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An Act relative to regional bonus aid.

*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 16D(g) of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the  
2 2016 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking the section in its entirety and inserting in  
3 place thereof the following new section:

4 (g) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, regional bonus aid, but no other aid  
5 pursuant to this section, shall be paid to any regional school district formed after fiscal year  
6 nineteen hundred and ninety-three for the immediate five fiscal years following the establishment  
7 of said regional school district. Regional bonus aid shall be payable in an amount equal to one  
8 hundred dollars per foundation enrollment, in the first fiscal year following the establishment of  
9 said regional school district; eighty dollars per foundation enrollment in the second fiscal year  
10 following the establishment of said regional school district; sixty dollars per foundation

11 enrollment in the third fiscal year following the establishment of said regional school district;  
12 forty dollars per foundation enrollment in the fourth fiscal year following the establishment of  
13 said regional school district; and, twenty dollars per foundation enrollment in the fifth fiscal year  
14 following the establishment of said regional school district.