

HOUSE No. 471

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kenneth I. Gordon

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 science curriculum standards.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>	<i>1/17/2019</i>

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By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 471) of Kenneth I. Gordon relative to science curriculum standards. Education.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court
(2019-2020)**

An Act relative to science curriculum standards.

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 1D of Chapter 69 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting in line 31
2 after the word "States" the following:-

3 The standards for the subject of science shall include only peer-reviewed and age-
4 appropriate subject matter; provided, (1) peer-reviewed subject matter shall be defined as
5 conducted in compliance with accepted scientific methods; and (2) age-appropriate shall be
6 defined as topics, messages, and teaching methods suitable to particular ages or age groups of
7 children and adolescents, based on developing cognitive, emotional, and behavioral capacity
8 typical for the age or age group.