

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 572**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Todd M. Smola*

*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 regarding school choice.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>	<i>1/16/2019</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>

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By Mr. Smola of Warren, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 572) of Todd M. Smola and Mathew J. Muratore for legislation to require students to provide reasons for choosing to attend a school outside of his or her resident district. Education.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 321 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 regarding school choice.

*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 12B of chapter 76 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the  
2 following subsection:-

3           (p) Any student who chooses to attend a school outside of the district in which the  
4 student resides by participating in the inter-district school choice program established by this  
5 section, and the student’s parents or guardian, shall first meet with the school administration in  
6 the district in which the student resides before the student leaves that district to discuss the  
7 reasons for leaving the district.