

HOUSE No. 90

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

F. Jay Barrows

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 to authorize the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to establish additional mandated reporters for the purpose of the protection and care of children.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>	<i>1/16/2019</i>
<i>Timothy R. Whelan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	<i>1/29/2019</i>
<i>Paul R. Feeney</i>	<i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Michael J. Soter</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Elizabeth A. Poirier</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>James K. Hawkins</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Tommy Vitolo</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Bud L. Williams</i>	<i>11th Hampden</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>

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By Mr. Barrows of Mansfield, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 90) of F. Jay Barrows and others for legislation to establish additional mandated reporters for the purposes of the protection and care of children. Children, Families and Persons with Disabilities.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 77 OF 2017-2018.]

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

An Act to authorize the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to establish additional mandated reporters for the purpose of the protection and care of children.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to Establish additional mandated reporters in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the purposes of protection and care of children., therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public safety.

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:

2 In addition those defined as mandated reporters in MGL chapter 119, section 21, this act
3 requests the following people to also be considered mandated reporters in the Commonwealth of
4 Massachusetts:

5 a. Any public or private school employee in Massachusetts

b. Persons who care for or work with a child in any public or private child care facility in the Commonwealth, paid or unpaid;

c. All employees in the Commonwealth

d. All volunteers who regularly work with children in locally-based teams and organizations such as volunteer youth sports coaches, church volunteers, park and recreation, library, scouting, boys and girls clubs, YMCA, and any other person in a local youth organization who has contact with children.

e. All of the above apply to persons age 18 and over.

SECTION 2:

All designated mandated reporters in the commonwealth shall be required to take training as provided by the proper state agencies, and any additional refresher training provided by the state certified agencies.