

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 553**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Alice Hanlon Peisch*

*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 high quality early educators.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Alice Hanlon Peisch</i>	<i>14th Norfolk</i>	<i>1/18/2019</i>
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/28/2019</i>
<i>Michael J. Soter</i>	<i>8th Worcester</i>	<i>1/28/2019</i>
<i>Tricia Farley-Bouvier</i>	<i>3rd Berkshire</i>	<i>1/28/2019</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>1/28/2019</i>
<i>Kenneth I. Gordon</i>	<i>21st Middlesex</i>	<i>1/29/2019</i>
<i>Jay D. Livingstone</i>	<i>8th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>Stephan Hay</i>	<i>3rd Worcester</i>	<i>1/30/2019</i>
<i>James M. Kelcourse</i>	<i>1st Essex</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Andres X. Vargas</i>	<i>3rd Essex</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Ann-Margaret Ferrante</i>	<i>5th Essex</i>	<i>1/31/2019</i>
<i>Michael O. Moore</i>	<i>Second Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Brian W. Murray</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>
<i>Kay Khan</i>	<i>11th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/1/2019</i>

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By Ms. Peisch of Wellesley, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 553) of Alice Hanlon Peisch and others relative to the development of early education and care career incentives and opportunities. Education.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act relative to high quality early educators.

*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. Not later than December 31, 2019, the department of early education and  
2 care shall develop an early education and care career ladder. The department shall file a report to  
3 include: (i) a copy of the career ladder, and (ii) recommendations for linking professional  
4 development and educational credentials to increased compensation and leadership opportunities  
5 in the field of early education and care.

6           The report shall be filed to the Joint Committee on Education not later than December 31,  
7 2019.