

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2324**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Michael O. Moore***

*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 establishing a hate crimes grant program.

PETITION OF:

| NAME:                         | DISTRICT/ADDRESS:                     |                  |
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| <i>Michael O. Moore</i>       | <i>Second Worcester</i>               |                  |
| <i>Jack Patrick Lewis</i>     | <i>7th Middlesex</i>                  | <i>7/26/2019</i> |
| <i>Eric P. Lesser</i>         | <i>First Hampden and Hampshire</i>    | <i>7/29/2019</i> |
| <i>John Barrett, III</i>      | <i>1st Berkshire</i>                  | <i>7/31/2019</i> |
| <i>Sal N. DiDomenico</i>      | <i>Middlesex and Suffolk</i>          | <i>7/31/2019</i> |
| <i>Paul R. Feeney</i>         | <i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>            | <i>7/31/2019</i> |
| <i>Brendan P. Crighton</i>    | <i>Third Essex</i>                    | <i>7/31/2019</i> |
| <i>Rebecca L. Rausch</i>      | <i>Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex</i> | <i>7/31/2019</i> |
| <i>Walter F. Timilty</i>      | <i>Norfolk, Bristol and Plymouth</i>  | <i>7/31/2019</i> |
| <i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>        | <i>12th Middlesex</i>                 | <i>8/19/2019</i> |
| <i>Christina A. Minicucci</i> | <i>14th Essex</i>                     | <i>8/19/2019</i> |

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By Mr. Moore, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2324) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Michael O. Moore, Jack Patrick Lewis, Eric P. Lesser, John Barrett, III and other members of the General Court for legislation to establish a hate crimes grant program. Education.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court  
(2019-2020)**  
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An Act establishing a hate crimes grant program.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Chapter 69 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 1P the  
2 following section:-

3 Section 1Q. The department of elementary and secondary education, in coordination with  
4 the executive office of public safety and security and the Massachusetts governor’s hate crimes  
5 task force, shall establish a grant program, subject to appropriation, for the education and  
6 prevention of hate crimes and incidences of bias in public schools. The grants shall be used for  
7 education and prevention programs in school districts for the purposes of education, professional  
8 development, prevention, or community outreach. The department shall develop guidelines  
9 governing the implementation of this grant program. In awarding grants, priority shall be given  
10 to communities with an identified need.