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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Joan Meschino

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 community college campus hunger pilot program.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Joan Meschino	*3rd Plymouth*	*2/5/2021*
Lindsay N. Sabadosa	*1st Hampshire*	*2/23/2021*
Hannah Kane	*11th Worcester*	*2/23/2021*
Tram T. Nguyen	*18th Essex*	*2/23/2021*
Christina A. Minicucci	*14th Essex*	*2/24/2021*
Mathew J. Muratore	*1st Plymouth*	*2/24/2021*
Carmine Lawrence Gentile	*13th Middlesex*	*2/24/2021*
Josh S. Cutler	*6th Plymouth*	*2/26/2021*
James J. O'Day	*14th Worcester*	*2/26/2021*
Brian M. Ashe	*2nd Hampden*	*2/26/2021*
James K. Hawkins	*2nd Bristol*	*2/26/2021*
Michelle L. Ciccolo	*15th Middlesex*	*2/26/2021*
Christine P. Barber	*34th Middlesex*	*3/11/2021*
Susannah M. Whipps	*2nd Franklin*	*3/30/2021*
Marcos A. Devers	*16th Essex*	*6/7/2021*

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By Ms. Meschino of Hull, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1350) of Joan Meschino and others relative to establishing a community college campus hunger pilot program to address food insecurity on community college campuses. Higher Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. *1233* OF 2019-2020.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court
(2021-2022)

An Act establishing a community college campus hunger pilot program.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 15A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 44 the following section:-

Section 45. Community College Campus Hunger Program

There shall be established and set up on the books of the commonwealth a fund to address food insecurity on community college campuses that shall be known as the Massachusetts Community College Campus Hunger Program. The fund shall be credited with: (i) revenue from appropriations or other monies authorized by the general court and specifically designated to the fund; (ii) interest earned on such revenues; and (iii) funds from public and private sources including, but not limited to, gifts, grants and donations to further the program.

The department of higher education shall distribute resources from the fund by issuing a request for proposal through which community colleges may apply. The department shall grant funds based on the demonstrated need and implementation plan of each applicant. Funds received by college campuses shall be used to address food insecurity among students via means including, but not limited to, meal cards, meal plans, meal vouchers, and other campus-designed projects to address community college student food insecurity.