HOUSE No. 1949

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Josh S. Cutler

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 youth soccer referees.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Josh S. Cutler	6th Plymouth	1/13/2021
Jon Santiago	9th Suffolk	2/26/2021

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By Mr. Cutler of Pembroke, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1949) of Josh S. Cutler and Jon Santiago relative to the employment of certain youth sports referees. Labor and Workforce Development.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 1606 OF 2019-2020.]

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

An Act relative to youth soccer referees.

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 149 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 191 the following section:-
- 3 SECTION 192. A minor of twelve or thirteen years of age may be employed as a youth
- 4 soccer referee for recreational non-results oriented matches for an age bracket younger than the
- 5 minor's own age; provided, that (1) the employer possesses a written consent from the minor's
- 6 parent or guardian; (2) the employer provides the minor's parent or guardian with written
- 7 policies describing the responsibilities of a referee; (3) that said employer also provides the
- 8 minor with training before the minor's employment begins; and (4) an adult representing the
- 9 employer is on the premise during the match.