

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 598**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

*Colleen M. Garry*

*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 regulate school enrollment.**

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Colleen M. Garry</i>	<i>36th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/25/2021</i>

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By Miss Garry of Dracut, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 598) of Colleen M. Garry for legislation to establish an opt-out admissions lottery process for charter schools. Education.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 467 OF 2019-2020.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act to regulate school enrollment.

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

1            Subsection (n) of Section 89 of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012  
2            Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the first sentence and inserting in  
3 place thereof

4            the following two sentences:-

5            Enrollment in a commonwealth charter school shall use an opt-out admissions lottery  
6 process that automatically includes the names of all eligible students, without any required  
7 application process for the school. A commonwealth charter school’s tuition payment shall be  
8 adjusted to account for any students who cannot attend said school because necessary services  
9 are not available.