HOUSE No. 607

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Kenneth I. Gordon

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 science curriculum standards.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Kenneth I. Gordon	21st Middlesex	2/19/2021

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By Mr. Gordon of Bedford, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 607) of Kenneth I. Gordon relative to science curriculum standards. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 471 OF 2019-2020.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act relative to science curriculum standards.

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

- Section 1D of Chapter 69 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting, in line 31,
- 2 after the word "States" the following:-
- 3 The standards for the subject of science shall include only peer-reviewed and age-
- 4 appropriate subject matter; provided, (1) peer-reviewed subject matter shall be defined as
- 5 conducted in compliance with accepted scientific methods; and (2) age-appropriate shall be
- 6 defined as topics, messages, and teaching methods suitable to particular ages or age groups of
- 7 children and adolescents, based on developing cognitive, emotional, and behavioral capacity
- 8 typical for the age or age group.