

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 629**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Bradley H. Jones, Jr.***

*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 non-public school student access to the MCAS exam.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/21/2021</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>2/17/2021</i>
<i>Sheila C. Harrington</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>	<i>3/18/2021</i>
<i>Mathew J. Muratore</i>	<i>1st Plymouth</i>	<i>3/24/2021</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>	<i>3/31/2021</i>

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By Mr. Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 629) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others relative to non-public school student access to the MCAS exam. Education.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 504 OF 2019-2020.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Second General Court  
(2021-2022)**  
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An Act relative to non-public school student access to the MCAS exam.

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

1           SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the department  
2 of elementary and secondary education shall issue a report on the feasibility and costs associated  
3 with non-public school students and home schooled students in grade 10 voluntarily taking the  
4 Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System exam; provided that said report shall be  
5 provided to the secretary of administration and finance, the commissioner of elementary and  
6 secondary education, and the clerks of the senate and house of representatives who shall forward  
7 the same to the chair of the senate ways and means committee, the chair of the house ways and  
8 means committee, and the house and senate chairs of the joint committee on education within 6  
9 months of the effective date of this act.