

HOUSE No. 711

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Steven Ultrino

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 the composition of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Steven Ultrino</i>	<i>33rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/22/2021</i>
<i>Adam J. Scanlon</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>1/22/2021</i>
<i>Tami L. Gouveia</i>	<i>14th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/22/2021</i>
<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/25/2021</i>
<i>John Barrett, III</i>	<i>1st Berkshire</i>	<i>2/26/2021</i>

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By Mr. Ultrino of Malden, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 711) of Steven Ultrino and others relative to the composition of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 582 OF 2019-2020.]

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

An Act relative to the composition of the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.

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. Section 1E of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2010
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the second and third sentences of the first
3 paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following:-

4 The 9 members appointed by the governor shall consist of 1 representative of a labor
5 organization selected by the governor from a list of 3 nominees provided by the Massachusetts
6 State Labor Council, AFL-CIO; 1 representative of business and industry selected by the
7 governor with a demonstrated commitment to education; 1 representative of parents of school
8 children selected by the governor from a list of 3 nominees provided by the Massachusetts
9 Parent Teachers Association; and 1 school committee member selected by the governor from a
10 list of 3 nominees provided by the Massachusetts Association of School Committees, and 5

11 additional members. No appointive member of said board, shall be employed by or receive
12 regular compensation from the department of elementary and secondary education, or, with the
13 exception of the school committee member, from any school system, public or independent, in
14 the commonwealth.

15 SECTION 2. Section 1E of chapter 71 of the general laws, as appearing in the 2010
16 Official Edition, is hereby further amended by striking the last two sentences of the first
17 paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following:

18 A person affiliated with an independent institution of higher education or a school
19 committee member shall be eligible for membership on said board. No member of said board
20 shall be found to be in violation of section six of chapter two hundred and sixty-eight A for
21 conduct which involves his participation, as a member of said board, in a particular matter before
22 said board which may affect the financial interest of an independent institution of higher
23 education or school district governed by a school committee with which he is affiliated;
24 provided, however, that said member, his immediate family or partner has no personal and direct
25 financial interest in said particular matter; and provided, further, that such affiliation is disclosed
26 to said board and recorded in the minutes of the board.