

HOUSE No. 5038

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Jessica Ann Giannino

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 school committee of the City of Revere.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Jessica Ann Giannino</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>	<i>7/7/2022</i>
<i>Jeffrey Rosario Turco</i>	<i>19th Suffolk</i>	<i>7/11/2022</i>
<i>Lydia Edwards</i>	<i>First Suffolk and Middlesex</i>	<i>7/13/2022</i>

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By Ms. Giannino of Revere, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 5038) of Jessica Ann Giannino, Jeffrey Rosario Turco and Lydia Edwards (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to the school committee in the city of Revere. Municipalities and Regional Government. [Local Approval Received.]

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

An Act relative to the school committee of the City of Revere.

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. Chapter 147 of said acts of 2004 is hereby amended by deleting the text of
2 section 4 and inserting in place thereof the following:

3 (a) Notwithstanding sections 31 or 36 of chapter 43 of the General Laws or of any
4 general or special law to the contrary, the school committee of the city of Revere shall consist of
5 the mayor and 8 members, with 1 member to be elected by and from the voters of each of the 6
6 respective wards into which the city is divided and 2 members to be elected at large.

7 (b) If a vacancy occurs in the office of school committee member, whether by death,
8 removal, resignation or otherwise, the candidate from that ward who received the second highest
9 number of votes at the last regular election or the at-large candidate who received the third
10 highest number of votes at the last regular election shall be sworn and take office immediately;

11 provided, however, such candidate is willing to serve, registered to vote and domiciled in the
12 appropriate ward, and otherwise eligible to fill the vacancy.

13 (c) If there is no candidate meeting the requirements of subsection (b), or such
14 qualified candidate declines to be sworn to the position, the city council, and the remaining
15 members of the school committee, shall within fourteen (14) days following the date of the
16 vacancy, meet in joint convention and fill the vacancy by a majority vote of the city council and
17 remaining members of the school committee. The person selected to fill the vacancy under this
18 section shall be sworn and immediately take up the duties of the office. A vacancy occurring
19 during the last six months of the term shall not be filled in the manner set forth herein.

20 (d) Any person selected to fill a vacancy under subsections (b) and (c) shall be sworn
21 and take office immediately, serving until the 10th day after the next regular city election, at
22 which time their successor shall be sworn and immediately take up the duties of the office in
23 addition to the full term to which they were elected. Similarly, if the position remains vacant, the
24 candidate elected to the position at the next regular election shall be sworn and begin serving on
25 the 11th day after the election, in addition to the full term to which they were elected.

26 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.