SENATE . . . . . No. 2714

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

SENATE, February 24, 2022.

The committee on Higher Education, to whom was referred the petitions (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 823) of Sonia Chang-Diaz, Elizabeth A. Malia and Danillo A. Sena for legislation to provide access to higher education opportunities for high school graduates in the Commonwealth; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 826) of Joanne M. Comerford for legislation to expand access to higher education tuition and fee waivers for adopted foster children; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 827) of Sal N. DiDomenico for legislation to protect students abroad; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 828) of Diana DiZoglio for legislation to support academic research libraries and regulating trade and commerce of online academic databases for higher education institutions; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 830) of Paul R. Feeney for legislation to establish a Master of Library Science assistance program; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 835) of Adam Gomez, Carmine Lawrence Gentile, Adam J. Scanlon, Jack Patrick Lewis and other members of the General Court foe legislation to ensure safe and healthy public higher education campuses; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 836) of Adam Gomez, Jack Patrick Lewis, Maria Duaime Robinson, James B. Eldridge and others for legislation to support educational opportunity for all; (accompanied by resolve, Senate, No. 837) of Patricia D. Jehlen and Elizabeth A. Malia for legislation to establish a special commission to evaluate the original infrastructure debt at the University of Massachusetts Boston; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 838) of Patricia D. Jehlen for legislation relative to the rights of faculty members at the University of Massachusetts; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 840) of Edward J. Kennedy for legislation to reform institutional eligibility requirements for state-based financial aid; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 843) of Eric P. Lesser, Brian M. Ashe and Rebecca L. Rausch for legislation to require institutions of higher education to provide uniform financial aid information to accepted applicants; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 844) of Jason M. Lewis for legislation to require disclosure of conflicts of interests in academic institutions; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 845) of Jason M. Lewis and James B. Eldridge for legislation to increase access to higher education for disadvantaged students; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 853) of Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation to create a scholarship fund to increase the number of medical providers who are knowledgeable in autism; (accompanied by bill, Senate,

No. 854) of Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation relative to remedial course vouchers for students impacted by COVID-19; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 855) of Marc R. Pacheco for legislation relative to UMass tuition credit; (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 856) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation to establish the Finish Line Scholarship Program; and (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2499) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Edward J. Kennedy for legislation to require immunizations for in-person classes at certain Massachusetts public institutions of higher learning, reports the accompanying Order (Senate, No. 2714).

For the committee,
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Ordered, That the committee on Higher Education be authorized and directed to make an investigation and study of certain current Senate documents numbered 823, 826, 827, 828, 830, 835, 836, 837, 838, 840, 843, 844, 845, 853, 854, 855, 856 and 2499 relative to higher education issues.