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HOUSE . . . . . No. 1259

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Peter J. Durant

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 promoting educational awareness and opportunity.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
Peter J. Durant	*6th Worcester*	*1/19/2023*

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By Representative Durant of Spencer, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1259) of Peter J. Durant for legislation to require higher educational institutions to provide certain information to students applying for or changing their major field of study. Higher Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. *1323* OF 2021-2022.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court
(2023-2024)

An Act promoting educational awareness and opportunity.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 15A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after section 44 the following new section:-

Section 44 1/2. Any public institution of higher education as defined in Section 5 shall be required to collect and provide to all students, when applying for or changing their major field of study, the following information: (i) The estimated cost in total for the selected major when taking the required courses to complete such major; (ii) the average amount of debt students who have completed a degree in such major in the past three years have acquired upon graduation for the chosen major; (iii) the professions that recent graduates within the major have acquired, within 1 year of graduation, including the number who have not received jobs and have not

continued on to higher education programs; and (iv) the average salary of recent graduates, within 3 years, with the major.