

HOUSE No. 609

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Thomas P. Walsh and Joan B. Lovely

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 to expand virtual school eligibility for school choice students.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Thomas P. Walsh</i>	<i>12th Essex</i>	<i>1/18/2023</i>
<i>Joan B. Lovely</i>	<i>Second Essex</i>	<i>1/20/2023</i>
<i>James K. Hawkins</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	<i>2/9/2023</i>
<i>Kelly W. Pease</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>	<i>10/21/2023</i>

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By Representative Walsh of Peabody and Senator Lovely, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 609) of Thomas P. Walsh, Joan B. Lovely and James K. Hawkins relative to virtual school eligibility for school choice students. Education.

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

An Act to expand virtual school eligibility for school choice students.

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

1 Chapter 370 of the Acts of 2012 is hereby amended by adding the following section:

2 Section 11

3 Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, students
4 enrolled in a school choice program, as established by section 12B of chapter 76 of the
5 Massachusetts General Laws, may enroll in a virtual school operated by the accepting school
6 district.