

HOUSE No. 1445

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bradley H. Jones, Jr.

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 establishing institutional public private partnerships.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Bradley H. Jones, Jr.</i>	<i>20th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/14/2025</i>
<i>Kimberly N. Ferguson</i>	<i>1st Worcester</i>	<i>1/15/2025</i>
<i>Paul K. Frost</i>	<i>7th Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2025</i>
<i>Todd M. Smola</i>	<i>1st Hampden</i>	<i>3/10/2025</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>	<i>1/31/2025</i>

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By Representative Jones of North Reading, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1445) of Bradley H. Jones, Jr., and others for an investigation by a special task force (including members of the General Court) relative to the economic and educational impacts of establishing public private partnerships between higher educational institutions and private corporations. Higher Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 1271 OF 2023-2024.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**

An Act relative to establishing institutional public private partnerships.

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

1 There shall be a special task force to review and report on the economic and educational
2 impact of establishing public private partnerships between state educational institutions and
3 private corporations. The task force shall consist of 15 members: the house and senate chairs of
4 the joint committees on economic development and emerging technologies and higher education,
5 or their designees, who shall serve as the co-chairs of the task force; a member of the general
6 court appointed by the senate minority leader; a member of the general court appointed by the
7 house minority leader; the executive director of the Massachusetts Workforce Development
8 Board, or a designee; the executive of the Massachusetts Life Sciences Center, or a designee; the
9 executive director of the Massachusetts Technology Collaborative, or a designee; and 5 persons

10 to be appointed by the secretary of labor and workforce development, 1 of whom shall be an
11 employee of the commonwealth in the office of the secretary of labor and workforce
12 development, 1 of whom shall be a member of the Massachusetts Biotechnology Council, 2 of
13 whom shall be selected from a list of 5 persons nominated by the Massachusetts Business
14 Roundtable, and 2 of whom shall be selected from a list of 5 persons nominated by the
15 chancellor of the university of Massachusetts.

16 This task force shall: (i) identify and review the state laws, regulations, and
17 administrative directives pertaining to public private partnerships; (ii) identify the key labor
18 sectors that would best benefit from grants and fellowships within the commonwealth; (iii)
19 require the department of labor and workforce development to submit reports to the legislature it
20 obtains from industries relating to their employment trends and future needs; and (iv) develop
21 recommendations to establish legislative procedures to provide funding and regulate public
22 private partnerships to eligible institutions and corporations.

23 The task force shall submit a report, including any draft legislation and regulations, to the
24 clerks of the house of representatives and the senate within 12 months of the passage of this act.