

HOUSE No. 3845

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Carmine Lawrence Gentile

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 resolution:

Resolutions ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States for federal regulation of child labor.

PETITION OF:

| NAME: | DISTRICT/ADDRESS: | DATE ADDED: |
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| <i>Carmine Lawrence Gentile</i> | <i>13th Middlesex</i> | <i>1/10/2025</i> |
| <i>Shirley B. Arriaga</i> | <i>8th Hampden</i> | <i>11/13/2025</i> |
| <i>James B. Eldridge</i> | <i>Middlesex and Worcester</i> | <i>2/10/2025</i> |
| <i>Mary S. Keefe</i> | <i>15th Worcester</i> | <i>3/4/2025</i> |
| <i>Bud L. Williams</i> | <i>11th Hampden</i> | <i>1/13/2025</i> |

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By Representative Gentile of Sudbury, a petition (accompanied by resolutions, House, No. 3845) of Carmine Lawrence Gentile and others for the adoption of resolutions memorializing the Congress of the United States to ratify the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States for federal regulation of child labor. Veterans and Federal Affairs.

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

Resolutions ratifying the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States for federal regulation of child labor.

1 Whereas, The Sixty-eighth Congress by both Houses passed the following proposed
2 amendment to the Constitution of the United States:

3 Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in
4 Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the following article is
5 proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States which, when ratified by the
6 legislatures of three-fourths of the several States, shall be valid to all intents and purposes as a
7 part of the Constitution:

8 “Article XX,

9 “Section 1. The Congress shall have power to limit, regulate, and prohibit the labor of
10 persons under eighteen years of age.

11 “Sec. 2. The power of the several States is unimpaired by this article except that the
12 operation of State laws shall be suspended to the extent necessary to give effect to legislation
13 enacted by the Congress;” now therefore be it

14 Resolved, That the said proposed amendment is hereby ratified by the legislature of the
15 commonwealth of Massachusetts; and be it further

16 Resolved, That a certified copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution be forwarded by
17 the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the Archivist of the United States in accordance with
18 Title 1, United States Code, section 106b.