

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 563**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Michelle M. DuBois and Steven Ultrino***

*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 concerning the fiscal impact of charter schools on public education.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/17/2025</i>
<i>Carmine Lawrence Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>	<i>12/2/2025</i>

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By Representatives DuBois of Brockton and Ultrino of Malden, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 563) of Michelle M. DuBois relative to the fiscal impact of charter schools on public education. Education.

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 595 OF 2023-2024.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act concerning the fiscal impact of charter schools on public education.

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

1           SECTION 1. Paragraph (j) of section 89 of Chapter 71, of the General Laws, as  
2    appearing in the 2020 Official Edition, is hereby amended, in line 296, by inserting after the  
3    word “criteria” the following new text -; provided, that no charter application shall be approved  
4    before a report has been presented to the board by the department on the financial impact to the  
5    sending district or districts.

6           SECTION 2. Paragraph (gg) of said section 89, as so appearing, is hereby amended, in  
7    line 757, by inserting at the end thereof the following new text - Annually, not later than January  
8    10 the department shall make a request to the General Court for the full funding of this  
9    reimbursement and the reimbursement calculated under paragraph (ff). If the General Court

- 10 rejects the request to fund the reimbursement, the board shall not approve any application for a
- 11 new charter school or a charter school expansion in the following school year.