

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 579**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Paul K. Frost, (BY REQUEST)***

*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 teaching certification.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Brittany Winsky</i>	<i>45 Lovett Rd, Oxford, MA 01540</i>	<i>1/17/2025</i>

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By Representative Frost of Auburn (by request), a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 579) of Brittany Winsky relative to teaching certification for persons with certain disabilities. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3784 OF 2023-2024.]

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court  
(2025-2026)**  
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An Act relative to teaching certification.

*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. Section 38G of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as amended by chapter 154  
2 of the acts of 2022, is hereby further amended by inserting after the fifteenth paragraph the  
3 following paragraph:-

4 For a person who, because of a temporary or permanent disability arising from  
5 intellectual, sensory, emotional, physical or environmental factors, or other specific learning  
6 disabilities, is or would be unable to pass the written examination, the board shall create a  
7 practical alternative assessment to the test requirement of the eligibility criteria for certification  
8 as a provisional educator and certification as a provisional educator with advanced standing.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect 180 days following its passage.