

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

David F. DeCoste

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 parental rights legislation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>David F. DeCoste</i>	<i>5th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/13/2025</i>

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[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 457 OF 2023-2024.]

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

An Act parental rights legislation.

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

1 Local public school jurisdictions and school committees have the right to reject any and
2 all guidance and directives from DESE entirely or at the line item level without any fear of
3 reprisal in the form of faculty and administration losing their licensure, criminal referrals of
4 faculty, administration or school committee members, or the withholding of state funds. The
5 power to dictate all policy and procedure in local school jurisdictions is held by the school
6 committee members and the citizens and parents that elect them.