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SENATE . . . . . No. 381

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

John F. Keenan

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 limiting cell phones in classrooms.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
John F. Keenan	*Norfolk and Plymouth*	
Mark C. Montigny	*Second Bristol and Plymouth*	*1/23/2025*
Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr.	*5th Worcester*	*2/3/2025*

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By Mr. Keenan, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 381) of John F. Keenan, Mark C. Montigny and Donald R. Berthiaume, Jr. for legislation to limit cell phones in classrooms. Education.

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

An Act limiting cell phones in classrooms.

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

Section 37H of chapter 71 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting, after the word “department”, in line 10, the following words:- “. Said policies shall prohibit the use of cell phones by students during instructional time, except when expressly directed by a teacher”.