

SENATE No. 435

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Pavel M. Payano

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 to establish de-escalation training in student transportation.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Pavel M. Payano

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

First Essex

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By Mr. Payano, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 435) of Pavel M. Payano relative to providing for de-escalation tactics and techniques approved by the Commissioner of Education for school bus operators. Education.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE HOUSE, NO. 602 OF 2023-2024.]

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

An Act to establish de-escalation training in student transportation.

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 8A of chapter 90, as appearing in the 2022 Official Edition of the General Laws,
2 is hereby amended by inserting after the second paragraph the following paragraph:- There shall
3 be training relative to de-escalation tactics and techniques approved by the commissioner of
4 education required for all school bus operators. If employed, the operator’s employer shall pay
5 for the cost of the de-escalation training.