

SENATE No. 952

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Bruce E. Tarr

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 support access to vocational schools.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
<i>Bruce E. Tarr</i>	<i>First Essex and Middlesex</i>	
<i>Peter J. Durant</i>	<i>Worcester and Hampshire</i>	<i>3/17/2025</i>

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By Mr. Tarr, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 952) of Bruce E. Tarr for legislation to support access to practical nursing programs in vocational schools. Higher Education.

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

An Act to support access to vocational schools.

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

1 Notwithstanding any law or regulation to the contrary, item 1596-2418 in Chapter 140 of
2 the Acts of 2024 is amended by adding after “For MassReconnect, a scholarship program to
3 provide financial assistance to students from the commonwealth who: (i) are enrolled in and
4 pursuing a program of higher education at a public community college in the commonwealth”
5 the following:-

6 “or a Practical Nursing Program at a Career/Vocational Technical Education School;”